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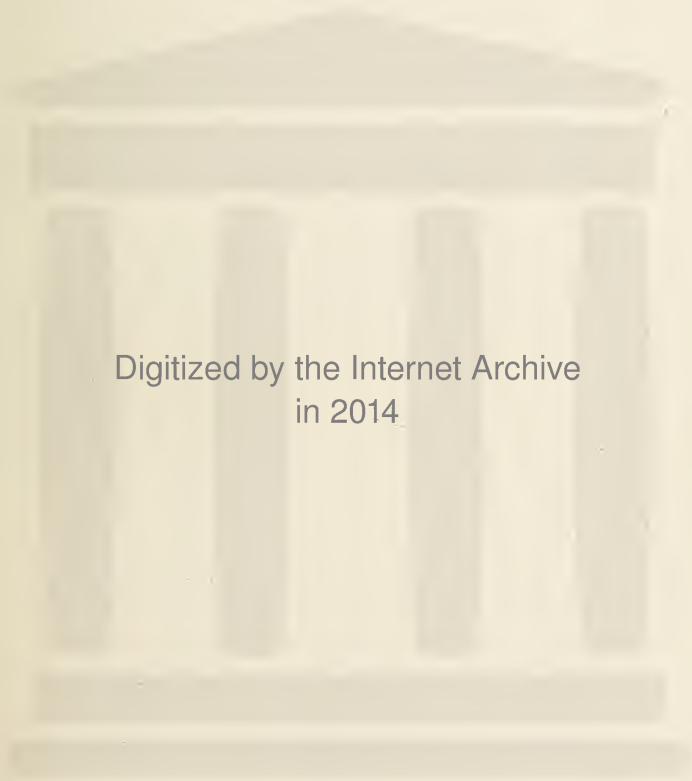
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PROCEEDINGS.

1. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder A. L. Moore, of the Mayo Associations, from Acts 15:11.

2. After an intermission of one hour the messengers assembled in the house and after prayer by Elder A. B. Philpot, of Pig River Association, letters were received from the different churches, were read and contents placed in the Statistical Table.

3. On motion Elder P. W. Williard was chosen Moderator and W. L. Teague Clerk.

4. The Moderator appointed Elders C. F. Deny, of Greensboro, and Wiley Jones, from Upper Country Line Association, to preach Saturday evening.

5. Then called for correspondents and visiting brethren from sister associations, whereupon the following were received:

From Fishers River—Elders A. M. Deny, J. A. Ashburn, J. R. Hall, G. D. Arrington, J. L. Hall and others, as visitors.

From Mayo—Elder A. L. Moore and brethren J. W. Moorefield. J. W. Griggs, J. T. Ayers, J. H. Burgess, and Thomas Tilley, as visitors.

From Mountain—Brother Tom Fender.

From Bear Creek—Brother Carrico.

From Upper Country Line—Elder Wiley C. Jones.

From Lower Country Line—G. C. Farthing and H. E. Satterfield.

From Black Creek—Elder P. D. Gold.

From New River—Elder P. G. Lester.

From Pig River—Elders A. B. Philpot and J. C. Hurst, and brethren J. W. Simpkins, Walker Clator and C. M. Turner.

Abbott's Creek—J. A. Williams, W. P. Williams and A. A. Snider.

6. The Moderator appointed brother Lewis Smith, W. F. Garrison and S. H. Goodman to act with the pastor and delegates of the local church, at Winston-Salem, a committee on preaching.

7. Agreed to have four sermons on Sunday and three sermons on Monday. Preaching to begin on Sunday at 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. On Monday 10 a. m.

8. The committee on preaching recommended that Elders P. D. Gold and A. B. Philpot preach Sunday morning, and P. G. Lester and J. C. Hurst preach Sunday evening, and Elders A. M. Deny, P. W. Williard and J. A. Ashburn preach on Monday.

9. The report was adopted and the committee discharged.

10. Adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

11. Monday morning, May 9, 1910, the association met in the church according to adjournment. After prayer by Elder P. G. Lester proceeded to business as follows:

12. Called roll.

13. It is agreed to ask for correspondence with the associations now represented with us by visitors and as implied by our Circular Letter.

14. A Circular Letter was read and ordered to be printed in these minutes.

15. Appointed correspondence as follows:

Mayo—Elder P. W. Williard, D. R. Stafford and Ab. F. Neal.

Fishers River—Elder P. W. Williard, Elder M. L. Williard and Lewis Smith.

Mountain—By minutes.

Bear Creek—Elders C. A. Davis and M. L. Williard.

Upper Country Line—Elder P. W. Williard, W. H. Warren, W. L. Bouldin and J. R. Neal.

Lower Country Line—Elder P. W. Williard and W. L. Bouldin.

Black Creek—Elder P. W. Williard.

Pig River—By minutes.

New River—By minutes.

Abbott's Creek—Elder P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis.

16. Agreed that when we adjourn it be to meet on Saturday before the second Sunday in May, 1911, with the church at Saints Delight, in Forsyth count, N. C.

17. Appointed Elder J. A. Ashburn to prepare a Circular Letter for next year.

18. Agreed that we have 700 copies of these minutes printed.

19. Agreed to adopt the following Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum and Church Covenant:

20. Voted a tribute of thanks to the brethren and friends of the community for their hospitalities during this meeting.

21. Adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

ELDER P. W. WILLIARD,
Moderator.
W. L. TEAGUE, Clerk.

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THE PREACHING.

Saturday A. M.—Elder A. L. Moore introductory sermon. Acts 15:11. But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.

Saturday P. M.—Elder C. F. Deny from a portion of the 7th chapter of Romans. Wiley C. Jones Romans 8:1. There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, etc.

Sunday A. M.—Elder P. D. Gold, Genesis 5:24, and Enoch walked with God, etc. Elder A. B. Philpot, Isaiah, 40:10:11-12. Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, etc.

Sunday P. M.—Elder P. G. Lester, Rev. 1:4-6. Elder J. C. Hurst, Josh. 3:17.

Monday A. M.—Elder A. M. Deny, Isaiah 53:1. Elder P. G. Lester, Psalms 40:1-2.

Elder J. A. Ashburn first Cor. 4-16.

Elder P. W. Williard was in the appointment to preach on Monday, but asked Elder Lester to fill his appointment.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

Winston-Salem, N. C., May 5, 1910.

To the Churches and Associations Scattered Throughout Our Country the Salem Association Sendeth—Greeting:

Dear Brethren in Christ—We write you this epistle of love as a token of fellowship in Christ Jesus, begotten in you and in us by God, the Father, and manifest by the appearing of our Lord and Savior, for which we trust we are thankful to God and desire to worship him, assembling ourselves together as often as we consistently well can and desiring to assemble in the unity of the spirit and in the bond of peace.

For this cause we write you this epistle, and hope the same may find favor in your sight, to the end, that we may correspond by messenger's when convenient, and also exchange minutes according to the custom of the fathers.

We desire no new thing or custom, as the former customs and means of worship practiced by the fathers are good enough for us, and also knowing that the departures from our former manner of worship, and conforming to practices not in keeping with the customs of the fathers, have always brought about divisions, and trouble in Zion as often as it has been resorted to. Therefore, brethren in the Lord, we desire to communicate with you from time to time, standing in the "Good Old Way" wherein the fathers have

trod, and worshiping in the newness of the Spirit, rejoicing in Christ Jesus, putting no confidence in the flesh.

Neither do we desire to engage in vain jangling about words of no profit which also never fail to end in strife. But we do desire to live in love, and in the fear of God, watching and striving against sin, using nothing as a cloke for disobedience, but trusting Jesus as our guide, and also as our only mediator, our righteousness, our wisdom, sanctification, and redemption, by whom are all things, and may grace, mercy and peace from the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ the Son of the Father, in truth and love, be with you all. Amen.

COVENANT.

We do now in the presence of Almighty God, and in the faith of the Gospel, and by the help of divine grace, unreservedly and unitedly, give up ourselves to God the Father, and his Son, Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Ghost, to be for him and no other, freely submitting ourselves to him, to be at his disposal for his glory, taking him as our true guide and only portion, promising by the help of divine grace to watch against sin, temptation, and corruption; and to hold a continual warfare with the same, looking to Christ who is the author and finisher of our faith, and the only hope and surety of his people. Under his covenant of grace, we do now freely and joyfully give ourselves to one another by the will of God, freely covenanting and engaging to and with each other to bear one another's burdens in the gospel, and so fulfill the law of Christ unto obedience, promising to watch over one another in love and to hold communion together in the ordinances of the gospel, submitting ourselves in this, which we trust is a part of his mystical body, according, as we shall be directed by his spirit in his word, and by the hely of divine grace to still pray for more light from the Lord, believing that he will further and more gloriously open to us his word and the mysteries of his kingdom, and to our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Savior, to whom be glory forever and forever. Amen.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

Article 1. We believe in one only true and living God, who rules all things after his own will, and that he, who created all things, is infinite in power, wisdom, knowledge, and goodness, eternal, immortal invisible an unchangeable, and that this God has revealed himself in his word under the character of Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and that these three are one, and that there are

three that bear witness in earth; the water, the spirit and the blood, and that these three agree in one.

Art. 2. We believe that the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the written word of God, and are a sufficient rule of faith and practice; that they are given by inspiration of God, and are profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, and for instruction in righteousness, and that they contain all things necessary to be known for the salvation of men and women.

Art. 3. We believe that Christ died and made a complete atonement for all who ever did, do now, or ever will believe on his name, and that all who are finally saved were given to Christ in covenant of the Father before the world was, that they should show forth his praise.

Art. 4. We believe that all whom God did foreknow he did also predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son; that God elected according to his foreknowledge, through sanctification of the spirit unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ, all who are finally saved, to an inheritance, incorruptible and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for all true saints, and that none come to Christ only those whom he loved with an everlasting love, and in due time calls to everlasting glory.

Art. 5. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Art. 6. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by his own free will and ability.

Art. 7. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

Art. 8. We believe that God's elect will be called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

Art. 9. We believe the saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall away.

Art. 10. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects of the ordinances, and that the true mode of baptism is by immersion.

Art. 11. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

Art. 12. We believe the punishment of the wicked will be eternal, and the joys of the righteous everlasting.

Art. 13. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances only such as are regularly called and have come under the imposition of the hands of the presbytery.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. The association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator in the beginning his speech.

3. Every brother speaking shall adhere strictly to the subject under consideration and shall in no way reflect on any other brother.

4. No messenger shall absent himself from the association while in conference without permission

5. No messenger shall speak more than three times on the same subject without permission from the association.

6. Messengers shall keep strict order while the business of the association is being transacted.

7. No messenger shall be interrupted while speaking unless he violates rules of decorum.

8. No messenger shall address another in any other term or appellation than the title of brother.

9. The names of the members composing the association shall be enrolled by the clerk and called over as often as the association requires.

10. The Moderator shall not speak on any question before the association until all the other messengers are through speaking, when he may give his views after which any messenger having a right to speak, may reply to any new matter introduced by the Moderator.

11. Any member who shall violate any rules of the association shall be dealt with by the association as it deems proper.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES.

Churches, Clerks, Postoffices.

Abbotts Creek—C. A. Hayworth, Kernersville, R. F. D. 1—76.
Bunker Hill—J. H. McKaughn, Kernersville, R. F. D.—20.
Cross Roads—G. W. Long, Intelligence, N. C.—40.
High Point—R. T. Stone, High Point, R. F. D.—41.
Saints Delight—C. R. Atkins, Winston-Salem, R. F. D.—70.
Sardis—T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C., R. F. D.—45.
Winston-Salem—W. L. Teague Winston-Salem, N. C.—30.
Total. 322.

Received from the churches	$20.00
Miscellaneous	2.00
Paid for printing and postage	15.00
Paid clerk	5.00

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Names of Messengers	Ch. Meetings.	Rec'd by Exp.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	No. in Fel'ship.	Contributions
Abbotts Creek	W. F. Garrison, W. L. Boulden, R. D. Pope	1	....	....	1	....	60	5.00
Bunker Hill	D. M. Vance, D. R. Stafford, J. H. McKaughn	4	....	....	....	....	11	1.50
Cross Roads	W. H. Warren	....	....	....	....	....	31	.....
High Point	S. H. Goodman, T. S. Hedrick, J. M. Snider	3	3	....	....	....	32	2.25
Saints Delight	S. L. Spach, G. H. Williard, Lewis Smith	2	....	....	....	....	56	2.50
Sardis	J. R. Neal, T. B. Wilson	4	....	....	....	....	36	3.00
Winston-Salem	J. A. Thomas, G. S. Ziglar, S. J. Reich	4	....	....	....	1	20	3.75
	Miscellaneous	....	....	....	....	....	....	2.00

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PROCEEDINGS.

1st. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder P D. Gold, of Wilson, N. C.

2nd. After an intermission of one hour the Messengers from the different churches met in the house, and the Association was opened with prayer by Elder W. A. Simpkins, of Raleigh, N. C.

3rd. The Moderator appointed Elders H. D. Mickey and D. Collins, of Fishers River Association to preach at the stand Saturday evening.

4th. Read letters from different churches and contents placed in the statistical table.

5th. On motion Elder P. W. Williard was chosen Moderator and W. L. Teague, Clerk, and elder J. A. Ashburn, Assistant Clerk.

6th. Called for petitionary letters. None received.

7th. Then called for correspondents and visiting brethren from Sister Associations, whereupon the following were received.

From Mountain—Brethren Thomas Fender and Hiram Edwards as visitors.

From Bear Creek—

From Upper Country Line—Brethren J. M. Harris, John Gilliam, E. R. Harris and brother—Porterfield as visitors.

From Lower Country Line—Brethren G. C. Farthing and J. H. Gooch as visitors.

From Black Creek—Elder P. D. Gold.

From New River—

From Pig River—

From Abbott's Creek—Brother Solomonn Snider.

From Fisher River—Elders D. Collins, H. D. Mickey, G. O. Key and Brethren J. D. Key, John Payne, Thomas Jones and Aquilla Hunter.

From Mayo—Brother G. L. Ziglar.

8th. On motion the Moderator appointed the following committee on arrangements: Elder J. A. Ashburn, Brethren W. H. Warren and T. B. Wilson.

9th. Appointed the following brethren a committee to arrange preaching for Sunday and Monday: Brethren C. R. Atkins, Lewis Smith, W. F. Garrison and J. H. Neal, together with the Moderator and Clerk.

10. Appointed the following committee on finance: Brethren D. R. Stafford, B. C. Hayworth and J. J. Everette.

11th. On motion, agreed that preaching begin at 10 o'clock Sunday and Monday and that the Association convene at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

12th. Adjourned until 9 o'clock Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, MAY 15, 9 O'CLOCK.

13th. The Association met persuant to adjournment and after prayer by Elder P. D. Gold, proceeded to business as follows:

14th. Called roll of the Messengers.

15th. Called for the report of committee on arrangements which report was received and committee discharged.

16th. Read the rules of decorum.

17th. Called on correspondence to report. Some of them had attended and reported peace and prosperity among the churches, and those who did not were excused.

18th. Appointed correspondence to Sister Associations as follows:

Abbott's Creek—Elders P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis.

Bear Creek—Elders C. A. Davis and W. L. Bolden.

Black Creek—Elders P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis.

Fisher's River—Elders J. A. Ashburn, P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis.

Lower Country Line—Elders P. W. Williard and J. A. Ashburn, W. L. Teague and W. L. Bolden.

Mayo—Elders J. A. Ashburn, C. A. Davis, P. W. Williard and Brethren Ab Neal, T. B. Wilson and J. H. Neal.

Mountain—Elders M. L. Williard, C. A. Davis and W. L. Bolden.

Upper Country Line—W. L. Bolden, W. H. Warren and Elder P. W. Williard.

19th. Agreed that the Clerk send a file of Minutes to each of these Associations.

20th. On motion it was agreed that the time of holding our Annual Association be held in October of each year beginning on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday.

21st. Circular letter read, adopted, and ordered to be printed in these minutes.

22nd. Appointed Elder P. W. Williard to prepare Circular Letter for our next Association.

23rd. The committee on preaching reported that Elders O. J. enny, W. A. Simpkins, J. A. Ashburn and G. O. Key preach Sunday and Elders J. M. Crews and H. D. Mickey preach Monday.

The report was commended and committee discharged.

24th. Agreed that our next Association be held with the church at Cross Roads and to begin on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1912 and continue three days.

25th. Agreed that we have 1,000 of these minutes printed and distributed as usual.

26th. Offered resolution of thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends in this community for their generous hospitality and kindness in entertaining this Association.

27th. Committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churchs	$24.10
Received from friends	$ 2.00
Total	$26.10

For printing minutes and postage	$15.00
Amount given to visiting Ministers	$ 3.50
Allowed Clerk for services	$ 7.60
Total	$26.10

Report received and committee discharged.

ELDER P. W. WILLIARD, Moderator.
W. L. TEAGUE, Clerk.
ELDER J. A. ASHBURN, Asst. Clerk.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

"Let Brotherly Love Continue."

To the Household of Faith:—

When we were without God, and without hope in the world, our minds subject to vanity, not loving each other, but loving ourselves; while we were dead in sin; God so loved us that he sent his quickening Spirit into our hearts and gave us spiritual life, a knowledge of our sinful nature, repentance, faith, hope, justification through Christ, Fellowship in Spirit and truth and Brotherly love each toward the other; and while it is true he took away our hard and stony heart and gave a heart of flesh, yet we find "Sin condemned in the flesh" and through the weakness of the flesh, often find ourselves doing things which have a tendency to destroy our peace, happiness, comfort, and our "brotherly love."

If we would "Let Brotherly Love Continue," we must treat each other brotherly. We all have our faults, each has his Soul-besetting Sin. When we see a brother doing something which is hurting him, it hurts us, then if we noise this abroad we hurt ourselves and him. We should tell him his fault and try to convert him from the error of his way, instead of blowing his Sin around the country among his brethren, and even in our religious periodicals. It is not brotherly to envy others thier gifts. "There are diversities of gifts but the same Spirit," 1st. Cor. 12:4. "And he gave some Apostles; and some prophets; and some evangelists; and some pastors and teachers," Eph. 4:11. The twelve Apostles did their work as well as the prophets. Ye are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets," Eph. 2:20.

Next we find the Evangelists spoken of, even as was Timothy who was exhorted by Paul (the Apostle)to do the work of an evangelist, making full proof of his ministry. The work of the evangelist is a work of self-sacrifices, there is much for him to do. He treads new territory we might say, ordains Elders and Deacons, sets things in order, organizes churches, endures hardness, preaches the word, &c.

According to the example and words of the Apostle Paul, when he has done these things he has the right, and it is

meet, that as a father he can visit churches and see "How they do," but unless he has gone "to the work," Acts 15:38, it is not meet and hence not Brotherly, for him to place a burden on the church. Neither is it Meet or Brotherly to ordain and send forth a novice or beginner or a man who is not of good report of "Them that are without." We all love to have our Ministers who have borne burdens, who are of good report, in whose heart the Love of God is glowing, come to our churches and preach for us, come to our homes and visit us, come to our tables and eat with us, and sound the danger signal when they see the sword coming. We love to have our young Ministers who are "Tarrying at Jerusalem, waiting to be endowed with power from on high," humbly submitting themselves to the impressions which the Spirit of the Lord has placed upon them, come among us, associate with us, learn who we are, and build a reputation upon the sure foundation, so we can heartily defend them when they are assailed, comfort them when they are troubled, warn them of danger, and be comforted by their manifestations of Grace and Humility.

Next we notice the Pastors and Teachers. The Lord sends Pastors of his own choosing. When He sends a pastor he is "Apt to teach." Sometimes we select our own pastor and get the wrong man. This is destructive to "Brotherly Love." To avoid this, if we are without a pastor, let us pray to God to "Send" one. Choosing a pastor by a mere majority is sometimes destructive to "Brotherly Love." In choosing a pastor unity should exist among all the members. We now wish to speak a word of welcome to our religious periodicals which come to our home regularly laden with good news. What blessings! What comforters! Yet sometimes through our weakness we are tempted to use their columns to scatter news that may tend to sow discord, gender strife, and work against "Brotherly Love." While we have spoken of only a few things yet there are many things about which we have not space to write; such as long suffering, gentleness, meekness, patience, brotherly kindness, virtue, and many other things, which when manifest promote "Brotherly Love."

So dear brethren, as we are the "Circumcision that worship God in the spirit, rejoicing in Christ Jesus, and have no

confidence in the flesh," pray God that he will enable us to keep our members in subjection and thus "Let Brotherly Love continue."

J. A. ASHBURN. . .

PREACHING SATURDAY.

Introductory Sermon by Elder P. D. Gold. Psalms 139:14. "I will praise thee &c."

Elder D. Collins; 3rd Chap. John. "Behold what manner of love, etc."

Elder H. C. Mickey; "In that day I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, etc."

SUNDAY.

Elder P. D. Gold. Galatians 3:9-12.

Elder W. A. Simpkins. Deut. 33:28. "Israel then shall dwell in safety alone."

Elder J. A. Ashburn. Solomon 8:1. "O that thou wert as my brother, etc."

Elder G. O. Key. Rev. 22:16. "I am the bright and morning star."

MONDAY MORNING.

Elder J. M. Crews. Matthew 28:18. "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth."

Elder H. C. Mickey concluded with no special text.

Elder O. J. Denny was in the arrangement to preach on Sunday morning and not being present Elder P. D. Gold filled his appointment.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES—CHURCHES.

Abbott's Creek—C. A. Hayworth, Kernersville, N. C., R. F. D. 1—125.

Bunker Hill—J. H. McKaughn, Kernersville, N. C., R. F. D. —50.

Cross Roads—G. W. Long, Intelligence, N. C.—60.

High Point—R. T. Stone, High Point, N. C., R. F. D.—75.

Sardis—T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C., R. F. D.—90.

Saints Delight—C. R. Atkins, Winston-Salem, N. C., R. F. D.—90.

Winston-Solem—W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C.—60.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO ASSOCIATIONS.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES.	No. of Minutes.
Mayo	E. M. Barnard	Peters Creek, Virginia	23
Pig River	Z. T. Turner	Figsboro, Virginia	25
Contentnea	R. D. Rowe	Aurora, N. C.	27
Senter	J. M. Dickson	Crumpler, N. C.	15
L. Country Line	J. H Gooch	Stem, N. C.	15
Little River	J. A. T. Jones	McCullers, N. C.	22
Mountain	J. O. Brewer	Baywood, Virginia	19
Mill Branch	C. W. Brown	Tabor, N. C.	11
Ketocton	H. C. Allnut	Rockville, M. D.	20
Kehukee	M. T. Lawrence	Robersonville, N. C.	44
New River	Eld. P. G. Lester	Floyd, Virginia	24
Smiths River	Eld. Q. D. Weeks	R. 2, Willis, Virginia	20
Abbotts Creek	A. L. Owen	Salisbury, N. C.	15
Staunton River	R. L. Dodson	Ringgold, Virginia	16
Ebenezer	R. H. Pittman	Luray, Virginia	16
Mates Creek	H. S. Carter	Coleman, Kentucky	15
Black Creek	Elder J. F. Farmer	Wilson, N. C.	18
Eno	G. C. Farthing	Durham, N. C.	10
U. Country Line	S. J. Hall	Cedar Grove, N. C.	18
Zion	C. L. Woltz	Galax, Virginia	12
Bear Creek	J. W. Jones	Marshville, N. C.	30
Fishers River	Eld. J. A. Ashburn	Winston-Salem, N. C.	35

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES.	NAMES OF MESSENGERS.	Received by Exp. and Bapt	Restored.	Received by Letter.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	No. in Fellowship.	Contributions.
Abbotts Creek	John Wall, W. F. Garrison, B. C. Hayworth, W. L. Boulden	1	1	..	2	..	1	59	6.85
Bunker Hill	D. M. Vance, D. R. Stafford, J. H. McKaughn	5	..	..	..	..	..	16	2.00
Cross Roads	W. H. Warren, J. J. Everett, S. C. Chandler	..	..	2	..	..	2	28	2.00
Hight Point	T. S. Hedrick, S. K. Garner, J. R. Peel	2	..	4	2	..	1	33	3.25
Sardis	J. H. Neal, A. F. Neal, T. B. Wilson		..	..	..	..	1	38	3.00
Saints Delight	L. L. Smith, G. H. Williard, Eli Hester	6	..	..	3	..	1	40	3.00
Winston-Salem	Eld. J. A. Ashburn, S. J. Reich, Ransom Snider	2	..	5	..	..	1	26	4.00
									$24.10

MINUTES

OF THE

THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

SALEM

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With the Church at

Cross Roads, Guilford County, North Carolina,

Saturday, Sunday and Monday, October 12, 13 and 14, 1912

OFFICERS:

Elder P. W. Williard, Moderator, R. F. D., High Point, N. C.
W. L. Teague, Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Elder J. A. Ashburn, Assistant Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS.

1. Introductory sermon was preached by Elder W. C. Jones, of the Upper Country Line Association, from Matt. 28:20.

2. After an intermission of one hour the messengers from the different churches went in the house, and the association was opened with prayer by Elder A. L. Moore, of Martinsville, Va.

3. The moderator appointed Elders A. G. Morton and O. J. Denny, of Greensboro, N. C., to preach at the stand Saturday evening.

4. Read letters from the different churches and contents were placed in the Statistical Table.

5. On motion Elder P. W. Williard was chosen Moderator, W. L. Teague Clerk and Elder J. A. Ashburn Assistant Clerk.

6. Petitionary Letters were called for. The church at Burlington presented a Letter of Dismission, from the Upper Country Line Association, and was received. Also, the church at No Creek, Davie county, presented a Letter of Dismission, from the Abbotts Creek Association, and was received, the Moderator giving their messengers the right hand of fellowship.

7. Called for correspondents and visiting brethren from sister associations, and the following were received :

From Fishers River, Elders G. O. Key and H. D. Mickey, correspondents ; and Brethren A. F. Stone, J. H. Barns and Joseph P. Simmons, visitors.

Mayo, Elders A. L. Moore, J. A. Fagg, and Brother C. R Duggins, correspondents.

Mountain, Brethren Hiram Edwards, R. F. Edwards and F. C. Higgins, correspondents ; and Elder M. B. Martin and

T. O. Caudle, visitors.

Bear Creek—Minutes.

Upper Country Line, Elder W. C. Jones and Brother T. A. Standfield, visitors.

Lower Country Line, Brethren Jack Oakley and Ed Clayton, visitors.

Black Creek—Minutes.

New River, Elder Joel E. Marshall, correspondent.

Pig River—Minutes.

Abbotts Creek, Brother Nathaniel Tucker, correspondent, and Brother Stadler Tucker, visitor.

A file of minutes was received from the following associations: Mayo, Pig River, Contentnea, Lower Country Line, Mountain, Ketocton, New River, Smiths River, Abbotts Creek, Staunton Rivers, Ebenezer, Black Creek, Upper Country Line, Bear Creek and Fishers River.

8. On motion the Moderator appointed the following Committee on Arrangements: Brethren W. H. Warren, T. B. Wilson and J. J. Idol.

9. Appointed the following brethren a Committee to arrange preaching for Sunday and Monday: Brethren W. H. Warren, J. J. Everett, Rufus Knight, J. R. Neal and R. T. Stone.

10. Appointed the following Committee on finance: Brethren A. J. Tillman, D. R. Stafford and W. F. Garrison.

11. On motion, agreed that preaching begin at 10 o'clock Sunday and Monday, and that we have five sermons Sunday and two sermons Monday, and that the association convene at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

12. Adjoured until 9 o'clock Monday morning.

Monday Morning, 9o'Clock, October 14, 1912.

13. The association met pursuant to adjournment; and, after prayer by Elder A. L. Moore, proceeded to business as

follows :

14. Called the Roll of Messengers.

15. Called for the report of the Committee on Arrangements. The report was received and committee discharged.

16. Agreed to suspend the reading of Rules of Decorum.

17. Called on correspondents to report. Some of them reported and those who did not attend were excused.

18. Appointed correspondents to sister associations as follows : Abbotts Creek, Elders P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis ; Bear Creek, Elders P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis ; Black Creek, Brother C. T. Hudgins ; Fishers River, Elders J. A. Ashburn and J. M. Crews ; Lower Country Line, Elders P. W. Williard, J. A. Ashburn and Brother C. T. Hudgins ; Moyo, Elders P. W. Williard, J. A. Ashburn, C. A. Davis and Brother T. B. Wilson ; Mountain, Elders C. A. Davis, J. A. Ashburn, P. W. Williard, J. M. Crews and Brethren J. J. Idol and W. L. Teague ; Upper Country Line, Elder P. W. Williard and Brother C T. Hudgins ; New River, Elders M. L. Williard, J. A. Ashburn and A. G. Morton.

19. Agreed that the Clerk send a file of minutes to each of the associations with whom we correspond.

20. Circular Letter was read, adopted and ordered printed with these minutes.

21. Appointed Elder C. A. Davis to prepare a Circular for our next association.

22. The Committee on Preaching reported that Elders M. B. Martin, A. L. Moore, G. O. Key, J. E. Marshall and H. D. Mickey preach Sunday ; and Elders J. M. Crews and J. A. Ashburn preach Monday. The report was commended and the committee discharged.

23. Agreed that our next association be held with the church at Abbotts Creek, Davidson county, six miles N. W. from High Point, N. C., and to convene on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1913.

24. Agreed that we have 1000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed as usual.

25. The Committee on Finance reported :

Received from the churches		$28.20
Received from a friend		.10
Paid for printing and postage	$15.00	
Allowed Clerk for services	10.00	
Balance in Clerk's hands	3.30	
Totals	$28 30	$28.30

The report was received and the committee discharged.

26. Offered resolutions of thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community for their generous hospitality and kindness in entertaining this association.

27. The foregoing proceedings were read and approved, after which the association adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

(ELDER) P. W. WILLIARD, Mod.
W. L. TEAGUE, Clerk.
(ELDER) J. A. ASHBURN, Ast. Clerk.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

As I was requested to write a letter to be printed with the minutes of the Salem Association, I will write with the view of divine things as God blesses me. Paul said, in Heb. 12:1 "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses." Now go to the eleventh chapter and you will find the witnesses under consideration, and what was done by faith. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Those witnesses left their testimony on record. Paul said they without us should not be made perfect. That perfection was not in the prophecy, nor in the prophets, but in Christ. The prophets, by an eye of faith, saw Christ, and testified by faith that

he would come. We say he is and has come. Now you see that the testimony, both of the prophets and apostles, agree in one. Now, the point is, Do we agree with the testimony of these Bible characters? If so, we are on the Rock; and, if we are on the Rock, we will stand: for Christ said, "The gates of hell shall not prevail against it." The point is to prove, by those witnesses, who are the church of God. "To the law and to the testimony." "God saw that * * every imagination of the thoughts of his" (man's) "heart was only evil continually." This is the testimony of the Lord. Does your experience agree with the word of God? The poor child of God says, "Yes, this is the condition of my heart; that is what gives me so much trouble." "Can two walk together, except they be agreed?" Then—are you troubled because you agree with the Lord? Can the world receive the Spirit of truth? The Spirit of truth the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him. This is John's testimony of the world. Then can the natural man receive the things of the Spirit of God? "The natural man receiveth not the the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."—1 Cor. 2:14. This is the testimony of God, and also of the children of God. Then Christ says, "I can do nothing of myself." Then the child of God says, "I can do nothing of myself." How "can two walk together, except they be agreed?" Then, do you not agree with Christ? Can you argue more? You find the testimony in the Book of God and in your heart. Then what are the teachings of men? They exhort the unregenerated to come to Christ, telling them that they have the power and ability to come to Christ, if they will only use the means. Is there any means to be used by the creature, before he can come to Christ? We will call a witness. "No man can

come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him : and I will raise him up at the last day."—St. John 6:44. Then are you not drawn by a power not of man ? Are you not led in paths you have not trod, and in ways you had not known ? The child of God says, "Yes, this is true." Then you have the witness within, the way-marks by which you may know that you are in the right road to Zion, and that you are the redeemed of the Lord. Glorious things are spoken of Zion. Is it not glorious to know you agree with your Redeemer ? David said, "I will sing of mercy and of judgment ; I will behave myself wisely, in a perfect way." It is wisdom to trust in God. David said, "I will walk within my house with a perfect heart." All perfection is in the Lord. There is no perfection in man, but God is perfection. David said, "I will walk in perfection." This means to trust in the Lord : for in him is everlasting strength. Then let us all look to the Lord. This is wisdom. Going to the Lord in prayer is walking in the Lord, doing what the Lord has commanded, and no more, is wisdom.

Now, to the Salem Association, and to all the household of faith, Live in peace and love one toward another. I will say to one, and to all, that Christ is a blessed physician of souls and understands all sicknesses and diseases, and we are welcome to the throne of grace, his soverign blood to plead ; and we are welcome to tell the Lord Jesus Chrsst what sinners we are. And—is it not glorious that the door of his mercy stands open all day for the poor and needy, who knock by the way ?

P. W. Williard.

PREACHING.

Saturday—Introductory sermon by Elder W. C. Jones,

CHURCHES	NAMES OF MESSENGERS	Received by Ex.	Received by Let.	Restored.	Dismissed by Let	Excluded.	Deceased.	No. in Fellowship.	Contribution.
Abbotts Creek..	J. J. Idol, W. F. Garrison and P. S. Smith.....	2	0	0	2	0	2	57	5.20
Bunker Hill....	D. M. Vance, D. R. Stafford and A. B. Crews...	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	1.50
Burlington.....	C. T. Hudgins, E. H. Rimmer and A. J. Tillman.	1	1	0	0	1	1	20	2.00
Cross Roads.....	Rufus Knight, J. J. Everett and W. H. Warren.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	27	3 00
High Point.....	Elder A. J. Morton, R. T. Stone and T. J. Greer.....	9	6	0	2	0	0	46	2.50
No Creek.....	W. A. Snider,* J. P. Foster and J. B. Hulin...	2	0	0	0	1	0	31	2.00
Sardis.....	J. R. Neal, R. N. Paynes and T. B. Wilson.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	37	3.00
Saints Delight..	S. L. Spach,† J. E. Williard and J. I Crews.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	40	4.00
Winston-Salem..	Elder J. A. Ashburn, J. A. Thomas and R. Snider†....	5	0	0	0	0	1	30	5.00
	* † Absentees. Totals.....	20	7	00	4	2	6	304	$28.20

MINUTES

OF THE

4th Annual Session

OF THE

SALEM

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Abbotts Creek, Davidson Co., N C.

SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND MONDAY,

OCTOBER 11, 12, AND 13, 1918.

OFFICERS:

Elder P. W. Williard, Moderator, High Point, N. C. R. F. D.
W. L. Teague, Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Elder J. A. Ashburn, Assistant Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

1. Introductory sermon was preached by Elder Wiley C. Jones of Burlington, N. C., from Romans 8:1.

2. After an intermission of one hour the messengers from the different churches met in the house, and the Association was opened with prayer by Elder G. O. Key, of the Fisher's River Association.

3. The Moderator appointed Elders W. A. Gourley and W. R. Helms to preach at the stand Saturday evening.

4. Read letters from the different churches and contents placed in statistical table.

5. On motion Elder P. W. Williard was re-elected Moderator, W. L. Teague re-elected clerk, and Elder J. A. Ashburn, assistant clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters and received none.

7. Called for correspondents and visiting brethren from sister Associations and the following were received.

From Abbott's Creek—Elders W. R. Gallimore, Samuel McMillon and brethren Solomon Snider, Nathaniel Tucker, and H. W. Johnson correspondents, A. L. Owens, Stadler Tucker, J. M. Williams, C. E. Garner, H. C. Garner and P. H. L. Snider, visitors.

Black Creek—Minutes.

Bear Creek—Elder W. R. Helms, corsespondent.

Fishers River—Elder G. O. Key and brethren A. F. Stone, corcorrespondent, Lindsey Hall, J. D. Key and A. V. Key, visitors.

Lower Country Line—Minutes.

Mountain—Brother Hiram Edwards, correspondent and Bro. Tom Fender, visitor.

Mayo—Minutes.

New River—Minutes.

Pig River—Minutes.

Upper Country Line—Elder W. C. Jones, correspondent.

Brother J. M. Taylor was seated as a visitor from the Tennessee Association.

A file of minutes was received from the following Associations: Black Creek, Bear Creek, Contentnea, Fisher's River, Kehukee, Lower Country Line, Mountain, Mayo, New River and Pig River.

8. On motion the Moderator appointed the following committee on arrangements: Brethren D. M. Vance, P. S. Smith and N. L. Hine.

9. Appointed the following committee to arrange preaching for Sunday and Monday: Brethren S. H. Goodman, J. Q. A. Walls and W. H. Warren.

10. Appointed the following committee on finance, Elders M. L. Williard and J. M. Crews.

11. On motion agreed that preaching begin at 10 o'clock Sunday and Monday and that we have four sermons Sunday and two sermons Monday.

12. Adjourned until 9 o'clock Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK, OCT. 13, 1913.

13. The Association met pursuant to adjournment and after prayer by Elder C. A. Davis proceeded to business as follows:

14. Called the roll of messengers.

15. Called for report of committee on arrangements. The report was received and committee discharged.

16. Read Rules of Decorum.

17. Called on correspondents to sister Associations to report. Some of them reported, and those who did not attend were excused.

18. Appointed correspondents to sister Associations as follows:

Abbott's Creek—Elders C. A. Davis, P. W. Williard and J. M. Crews.

Black Creek—Elder P. W. Williard.

Fisher's River—Elders J. A. Ashburn, C. A. Davis, J. M. Crews and Brother J. W. Hutchins.

Lower Country Line—Elder P. W. Williard and brother C. T Hudgins.

Mayo—Elders P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis.

Mountain—Elder C. A. Davis.

Upper Country Line—Elder C. A. Davis and W. H. Warren.

New River—Elder J. A. Ashburn.

19. Agreed that we send a file of minutes to each of the Associations with whom we orrespond.

20. Circular letter was read, adopted and ordered printed with these minutes.

21. Appointed Elder W. A. Gourley to prepare a circular letter for our next Association.

22. The committee on preaching reported that Elders G. O. Key, Samuel McMillon, J. A. Ashburn and J. M. Crews preach Sunday and Elders W. C. Jones and W. R. Helms preach Monday.

23. Agreed that our next Association be held with the church at Burlington, N. C., and to convene on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1914.

24. Agreed that we have 1,000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed as usual.

25. The committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$30.00
Received from a friend	2.00
Balance from last year	3.30
Total,	$36.10

Paid for printing minutes and postage	$15.00
Allowed Clerk for services	10.00
Balance given to ministers	11.10
Total,	$36.10

The report was received and the committee discharged.

26. Offered resolutions of thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community for their generous hospitality and kindness in entertaining this Association.

27. The foregoing proceedings were read and approved after which the Association adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session, with prayer by Elder J. A. Ashburn.

ELDER P. W. WILLIARD,, Moderator.

W. L. TEAGUE, Clerk.

ELDER J. A. ASHBURN, Assistant Clerk.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

By the request of Elder C. A. Davis I am writing this letter to be printed in the minutes of the Salem Association, and I hope what I may say will be to the praise of God.

David said, "Praise the Lord, Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord."

We see the brute creattion, all of the little insects, the fishes of the sea and the tall oaks bow in praise to the great God of Heaven and earth. Then let us come together, not for form but to praise the Lord. "Let brotherly love continue." What kind of love did Paul have under consideration? It was the love of God The love of God is a principle wrought in the soul by God.

When I first joined the church I saw nothing in the church but

love. To let brotherly love continue, means to do nothing to hinder its continuance, to throw nothing in the way of a brother. I for one want to have it as it is taught in the Bible, and if absolute Predestination is taught in the Bible I want to receive it as gospel truth. Then let us hear what Paul says in the case, "We know that all things work together for good to them who love God, to them who are called according to his purpose. For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son."

Now do the evil acts of man have any part in the conformation of a child of God to the image of His Son? What is it that conforms to the image of Christ? Is it not the second birth, or to be born again? Then did not the second birth cause Paul to have the principle he was trying to put down? Then let brotherly love continue. We shall do this by teaching the Bible just as it is? Can we strengthen the bible by any word we can add to it. Let's just have it as it is. Then leave the word "absolute" out, and the word "unlimited Predestination" also. All the children of God believe in predestination. Then why do we differ on the word. Brethren see that you fall not out by the way. The word "unlimited" sounds to me like on the other hand some of the Baptists are trying to limit predestination. There are no bounds or limits to the power of God.

Now I call your attention to the 8th chapter of Romans, 28th verse, "Now we know that all things work together." What things are working together for good? The foreknowlelge of God, calling, justification and glorification. Are the acts of sinful man akin to the things here that Paul was talking about? No. "Having predestinated us to the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself." Brethren I know there are deep and mysterious things in the book of God that are deep and we will fail to understand if we are not taught by the Spirit of God. So we may say, I thank the Lord that thou has kept the best in store.

We have enough, yet not too much.
To long for more.
A yearning for a deeper peace
Not known before.

P. W. WILLIARD.

PREACHING.

Saturday—Introductory sermon by Elder W. C. Jones from Romans 8:1. There is therefore now no condemnation to them

which are in Christ Jesus, &c. Elder W. A. Gourley from Exodus 2:23 and 24. And it came to pass in process of time that the king of Egypt died, &c. Elder W. R. Helms, Psalms 23:1. The Lord is my Shepherd &c.

Sunday—Elder G. O. Key from Psalms 46:1. God is our refuge &c. Elder Samuel McMillon from John 6:39. And this is the Father's will which hath sent me &c. Elder J. A. Ashburn from 1st Peter 1:18. For as much as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things &c. J. M. Crews from Acts 4:12. Neither is there salvation in any other &c.

Monday—W. C. Jones from 1st Corinthians 3:9. For we are laborers together with God &c. Elder W. R. Helms from John 17:2 and 3. As thou hast given him power over all flesh &c. By request Elders G. M. Trent and G. O. Key followed, using no special texts.

CONCLUSION.

We feel the Lord blessed us in this meeting. The behaviour and attention of the large congregation was exceptionally good. Our ministering brethren were blessed to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ. How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things. At the close of the meeting six persons came forward, one by one praising the Lord, and telling of His goodness and mercy to them as poor dependent sinners. They were all received into the followship of the church and the right hand of fellowship was extended them by the Moderator, ministers and many other brethren and sisters. Here we have a manifestation of the love of God shed abroad in the hearts of His people.

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.

As it is written, eye hath not seen nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.

Blessed is every one that feareth the Lord; that walketh in His ways.

W. L. TEAGUE, Clerk.

Winston-Salem, N. C.

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR POST-OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Elder P. W. Williard—Hight Point, N. C., R. F. D.
Elder M. L. Williard, High Point, N. C., R. F. D.
Elder A. G. Morton, High Point, N. C., R. F. D.
Elder J. M. Crews, Kernersville, N. C., No. 3.
Elder C. A. Coats, Kernersville, N. C., No. 1.
Elder J. A. Ashburn, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Elder W. A. Gourley, Statesville, N. C.

LICENTIATE.

W. P. Mathews, Kernersville, N. C.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES.

Churches, Clerks, Postoffices and No. of Minutes.

Abbotts Creek—C. A. Hayworth, Kernersville, N. C., R. 1, ..75
Bunker Hill—J. H. McKaughn, Kernersville, N. C., R. 1....25
Burlington—C. T. Hudgins, Burlington, N. C.....30
Cross Roads—J. W. Hutchins, Greensboro , N. C., R. 7.....35
High Point—R. T. Stone, High Point, N. C.....60
No Creek—J. A. Forest, Advance, N. C. 40
Sardis, T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C. 50
Saints Delight— C. R. Atkins, Kernersville, N. C., R. 4.....60
Winston-Salem—W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C.....50

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS.

Associations, Clerks, Postoffices and No. of Minutes.

Abbotts Creek..A. L. Owen, R. 2, Salisbury, N. C.....20
Black Creek—Elder J. F. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.....25
Bear Creek—J. W. Jones, Marshville, N. C.....25
Contentnea—B. D. Rowe, Aurora, N. C.....30
Ebenezer—W. L. Carpenter, Brightwood, Va. 20
Eno—G. C. Farthing, Durham, N. C. 30
Fishers River, Elder F. P. Stone, R. 1, Francisco, N. C.....25
Ketocton—Elder T. S. Dalton, McLean, Va.....24
Kehukee—Elder M. T. Lawrence, Robersonville, N. C. 35
Lower Country Line—J. H. Gooch, Stem. N. C. 20
Little River—J. A. T. Jones, McCullers, N. C. 30
Mountain—J. O. Brewer, Baywood, Va.....22
Mill Branch—C. W. Brown, Tabor, N. C.....30
Mates Creek—H. S. Carter Coleman, Ky. 30
Mayo—Elder E. M. Barnard, Peter's Creek, Va.....30
New River—Elder P. G. Lester, Floyd, Va.....25
Pig River—Elder E. L. Blankenship, Boone Mill, Va.....30
Smith's River—Elder Q. D. Weeks, Willis, Va. 24
Staunton River—R. L. Dodson, Ringgold, Va.....20
Senter—J. M. Dickson, Crumpler, N. C. 30
Upper Country Line—S. T. Hall, Cedar Grove, N. C. 20
Zion—C. L. Moltz, Galax, Va. 30

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Names of Messengers	Rec. by Exp.	Rec. by Letter	Restored.	Dis by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total Mem.	Contributions.
Abbotts Creek	C. A. Davis, P. S. Smith and W. F. Garrison	3	0	0	0	0	0	59	7.60
Bunker Hill ..	D. M. Vance, D. R. Stafford and J. H. McKaughan	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	1.60
Burlington ...	E. H. Rimmer, A. J. Tillman and C. T. Hudgins	2	0	0	0	0	0	22	2.00
Cross Roads .	J. W. Hutchins, J. J. Everett, W. H. Warren and Rufus Knight	0	0	0	0	0	1	27	2.00
High Point ..	Thomas Hedrick, J. T. Hicks and S. H. Goodman	0	8	0	0	2	1	51	3.00
No Creek ...	Levi Trogdon, S. A. Bailey and John Honberry x	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Sardis	Elder W. A. Gourley, J. H. Neal x, P. B. Neal	1	0	0	0	0	0	38	3.00
Saints Delight	Charlie Phillips, Eli Hester x, and Noah Hine	9	0	0	0	0	1	47	3.60
Winston-Salem	Elder J. A. Ashburn, J. A. Thomas x, and G. W. Knight	2	2	0	0	0	0	34	8.00
	Absentees x.			Totals					30.80

Minutes of the Fifth Annual Session of the

Salem Primitive Baptist Association

Held with the Church at Burlington, Alamance County, N. C.
Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Oct. 10, 11, 12, 1914

OFFICERS

Elder P. W. Williard, Maderator, R 2, High Point, N. C.

W. L. Teague, Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Elder J. A. Ashburn, Ass't Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

SALEM ASSOCIATION

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

First. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder A. M. Denney, of Fisher's River Association, from 1 John iv. 19; "We love him because he first loved us," etc.

2. After an intermission of one and one-half hours the messengers from the different churches met in a hall provided for them, and the Association was opened with prayer by Elder C. H. Cayce, of Tennessee.

3. The Moderator appointed Elders S. P. Terry and B. F. McKinney and Brother R. E. Adams to preach this afternoon.

4. Read the letters from the different churches and contents noted in the statistical table.

5. On motion Elder P. W. Willard was chosen Moderator; W. L. Teague chosen Clerk, and Elder J. A. Ashburn, Assistant Clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None received.

7. Called for correspondents and visiting brethren from sister associations, and the following were received:

From Abbott's Creek—Elder Samuel McMillon, Brethren Solomon Snider, H. W. Johnson, J. M. Williams, and Thomas Gaines, correspondents; R. F. Strange, visitor.

From Black Creek—Brother J. F. Bates, visitor.

From Bear Creek—Brother L. B. Lee, visitor.

From Fisher's River—Elders G. O. Key, John R. Crews, and A. M. Denny, correspondents.

From Lower Country Line—Elder S. P. Terry, Brethren J. H. Gooch and G. C. Farthing, correspondents, and Brother Jackson Smith, visitor.

From Little River—Brother R. E. Adams, correspondent, and Brother G. T. Powell, visitor.

From Mountain—Brethren Isom Fender and T. A. Fender, correspondents.

From Mayo—Minutes.

From New River—Minutes.

From Pig River—No information.

From Upper Country Line—Elder W. C. Jones and Brother

J. W. Gilliam, Jr., correspondents, and Brethren A. G. Porterfield, W. R. Hawkins, W. P. Warren, and J. W. Gilliam, Sr. visitors.

Elder C. H. Cayce, from the Greenfield Association, in Tennessee, was seated as a visitor.

A file of minutes was received from the following associations Abbott's Creek, Black Creek, Bear Creek, Contentnea, Fisher's River, Ketocton, Kehukee, Lower Country Line, Little River Mountain, New River and Smith's River.

8. On motion, the Moderator appointed the following committee on arrangements: Brethren T. B. Wilson, T. S. Hedrick, and J. E. Williard.

9. Appointed the following committee on preaching: Brethren P. S. Smith, C. I. Phillips, and J. H. Williard.

10. Appointed the following committee on finance: Elder J. M. Crews and Brother T. J. Greer.

11. Agreed that preaching begin at 10 o'clock on Sunday, and that we have four sermons on Sunday and three on Monday.

12. Adjourned until 9 o'clock Monday morning.

Benediction by Elder J. A. Ashburn.

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MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 12, 1914

13. The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and, after prayer by Elder Samuel McMillon, proceeded to business as follows:

14. Called the roll of messengers, and marked absentees.

15. Called for the report of the Committee on Arrangements. The report was received and the committee discharged.

16. Read the Rules of Decorum.

17. Called on correspondents to sister associations to report. Some of them reported that they attended; those who did not attend were excused.

18. Appointed correspondents to sister associations as follows:

Abbott's Creek—Elders C. A. Davis and P. W. Williard.

Black Creek—Minutes.

Fisher's River—Elders P. W. Williard, J. A. Ashburn, J. M. Crews, and C. A. Davis.

Lower Country Line—Elders P. W. Williard, A. G. Morton and C. A. Davis.

Mayo—Elders J. A. Ashburn, J. M. Crews, and P. W. Williard.

Mountain—Elders C. A. Davis, J. M. Crews, P. W. Williard and J. A. Ashburn.

Upper Country Line—Elders C. A. Davis, J. A. Ashburn, and J. M. Crews, and Brother J. J. Everett.

New River—Elder J. A. Ashburn.

Bear Creek—Elders P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis.

Pig River—Minutes.

19. Agreed that we send a file of minutes to each of the Associations with whom we correspond.

20. The Circular Letter was read, adopted and ordered printed with these minutes.

21. Appointed Elder J. M. Crews to prepare a Circular Letter for our next Association.

22. The Committee on Preaching reported from time to time, and brethren preached accordingly, as shown in the report of "Preaching."

23. Agreed that our next Association be held with the church at High Point, North Carolina, to convene on Saturday before tre second Sunday in October, 1915.

24. Agreed that we have 1000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed as usual.

25. The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$34.92
Contributed by brethren and friends	13.75
Total	$48.67
Paid for printing and postage	$15.00
Allowed Clerk for services	10.00
Balance given to ministers	23.67
Total	$48.67

The report was received and the committee discharged.

26. Offered a resolution of thanks to the brethren, sisters, and friends of this community for their generous hospitality and kindness in entertaining this Association and to the owners of the hall, where our business sessions were held, and the warehouse where the preaching services were conducted, for their kindness in furnishing the same to us.

27. The foregoing minutes were read and approved, after which the Association adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session. Prayer by Elder J. A. Ashburn. Elder P. W. Williard, Moderator.

W. L. Teague, Clerk.

Elder J. A. Ashburn, Assistant Clerk.

PREACHING

Saturday Afternoon—Elder S. P. Terry preached first from 1 Corinthians i. 23, 24, "But we preach Christ crucified," etc. He was followed by Elder B. F. Kinney, who used Isaiah xl. 1, 2, "Comfort ye, comfort ye my people," etc., as a text, and also referred to Isaiah xxxv. Brother R. E. Adams closed, using Isaiah xli. 17, 18 as a text.

Saturday Night—Elder C. H. Cayce preached first from Isaiah liv. 5, "For thy Maker is thine husband," etc. Elder Samuel McMillon closed, using as a text Acts xxii. 1, "Men, brethren, and fathers hear ye my defence," etc.

Sunday Morning—Elder Samuel McMillon preached first; text, Acts iii. 22, "For Moses truly said unto the fathers, a prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren," etc. Elder C. H. Cayce followed; text, 1 Peter i. 22, 23, "Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit," etc.

Sunday Afternoon—Elder J. A. Ashburn preached first; text, Romans ii. 4, "Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering," etc. Elder G. O. Key followed: text, 1 Peter i. 3, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ," etc.

Sunday Night—Elder A. G. Morton preached first; text, Titus iii. 5, "Not by works of righteousness which we have done," etc. Elder J. R. Crews preached next; text, 2 Timothy iv. 2, "Preach the word."

Monday Morning—Elder J. F. Spangler preached first; text, Hebrews ix. 12, "Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood," etc. Elder C. A. Davis preached next; text, Acts xxviii. 20, "Because that for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain." Elder Davis was followed by Elder J. M. Crews, who preached from Romans viii. 2, "For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death." Elder P. W. Willard, the Moderator, concluded the service, using the language of the Saviour on the cross, "It is finished." The preaching was all harmonious, and was much enjoyed.

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren:

As I was appointed to write a circular letter for the Association this year, I will now make the attempt; but I feel at present that I am not sufficient for these things, unless the Lord enables me to write in the spirit of humility and love. John says, "Behold what

manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us that we should be called the sons of God." Therefore, the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Now there is a sense in which a man of this world does not, and can not know a man of God; that is, experimentally, in spirit; for they can only know God's children as men, and can not know them as sons of God. But when the sons of God are enabled to behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon them then they are also enabled to behold Him as the chiefest among ten thousand and the one altogether lovely. Then it is that they are lifted up in spirit, yet humbled in mind and heart. Now inasmuch as the Father hath bestowed upon us such wondrous love, "What manner of persons ought we to be, in all holy conversation and godliness?" Brethren, I sometimes meditate along these lines, and feel like it is good for us to have our pure minds stirred up by way of remembrance. But at the same time I feel like you might say, "Physician, heal thyself." But all scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, etc., that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. Now the question might arise, Do we believe this? Do we believe that the Scriptures are sufficient to furnish the man of God unto all good works? Yes, says one, I believe it. Well if we believe it; are we walking according to our belief? It seems that in the days of the apostles there were some that did not, for we find admonitions and exhortations along these lines in their days. And if it were necessary in the days of the apostles, is it not so now? In the third chapter of Colossians the apostle says, "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God." How safe, how secure, is the life of each and every child of God. When he is brought to see these things by an eye of faith, then he is enabled to set his affections on things above and to behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon him. And the apostle further says, "Put on therefore as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercy, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long suffering; Forbearing one another. And if any man have a quarrel against any, even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body, and be ye thankful." Our blessed Lord and Saviour said, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." Then let us be careful to maintain good works by an orderly walk and godly conversation, endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace; for the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness temperance, against which there is no law. Then let each one try to examine ourselves (not our brother, but ourselves), and see if we are making it manifest that we are actuated by the fruit of the Spirit. Are we esteeming others better than ourselves? Are we bearing each other's burdens, and so fulfilling the law of Christ? If so, then we can behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us that we should be called the sons of God.

Now, dear brethren in the ministry, "Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly, not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind. Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock. And when the chief Shepherd shall appear ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away. And especially may all be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you."

Now may the God of all grace who hath called us unto His eternal glory by Jesus Christ, after we have suffered awhile make us perfect, establish, strengthen, settle us. To Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

W. A. GOURLEY.

ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS

Elder P. W. Williard, R. 2, High Point, N. C.
Elder M. L. Williard, R. 2, High Point, N. C.
Elder A. G. Morton, High Point, N. C.
Elder J. M. Crews, R. 3, Kernersville, N. C.
Elder C. A. Davis, R. 1, Kernersville, N. C.
Elder J. A. Ashburn, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Elder W. A. Gourley, Stokesdale N. C.
Licentiate W. P. Mathews, Kernersville, N. C.

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DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Associations, Clerks, Postoffices and Number of Minutes.

Abbotts Creek, A. L. Owen, R. 2, Salisbury, N. C.....20
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Bear Creek—J. W. Jones, Marshville, N. C.....25
Contentnea—B. D. Rowe, Aurora, N. C.....30
Ebenezer—W. L. Carpenter, Brightwood, Va.....20
Eno—G. C. Farthing, Durham, N. C.....30
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Statistical Table

CHURCHES	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES	NAMES OF MESSENGERS	Rec'd by Ex. & B.	Rec'd by Rec.	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dism'd by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	No. of Minutes	Contributions
Abbotts Creek	C A Hayworth, R 1, Kernersville, N C	Eld C A Davis, J J Idol, P S Smith	3	..	..	..	..	2	1	59	75	$ 6.00
Bunker Hill	J H McKaughn, R 1, Kernersville N C	D R Stafford*, D M Vance*, Jas. G Mathews	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	18	25	1.50
Burlington	C T Hudgins, Burlington, N C	J I Smith, A J Tillman, E H Rimmer	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	21	30	2.00
Cross Roads	J W Hutchins, R 7, Grennsboro, N C	W H Warren, J J Everett, G P O'Ferrell*, S T Chandler	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	26	35	4.05
High Point	R T Stone, High Point, N C	T J Greer, A H Idol, T S Hedrick	4	..	2	1	..	1	..	58	60	4.10
No Creek	J A Forest	Letter, No Messenger	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	...	40	1.27
Sardis	T B Wilson, Madison, N C	Eld. W A Gourley, W S Paschal, T B Wilson	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	39	50	3.00
Saints Delight	C R Atkins, R 4, Kernersville, N C	Geo. H Williard, J E Williard, J W Williard*	5	..	2	1	..	..	..	55	60	5.50
Winston-Salem	W L Teague, Winston-Salem, N C	Eld. J A Ashburn, Ransom Snider*, G L Ziglar	7	..	5	..	2	1	1	42	50	7.50
		Totals	22	..	12	2	5	4	5	318	425	$34.92

Absentees marked thus: *.

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OFFICERS:

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE SALEM ASSOCIOTION.

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, OCT. 9TH.

1. Introductory sermon was preached by Elder M. L. Gilbert of Dade City, Fla., Text: Isaiah 26:1. "In that day shall this song be sung."

2. After an intermission of one and one half hours the messengers from the different churches met in the church house, and the Association was opened with prayer by Elder J. R. Wilson of Martinsville, Va.

3. The Moderator appointed Elders J. M. Williams and Isaace Jones to preach this afternoon.

4. Read the letters from the different churches and contents noted in the statistical table.

5. On motion Elder P. W. Williard was chosen Moderator, W. L. Teague, Clerk and Elder J. A. Ashburn, Assistant Clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None received.

7. Called for correspondents and visiting brethren from sister associations, and the following were received:

From Abbotts Creek—Brother H. W. Johnson, and Elder Samuel McMillon, correspondents, Brethren N. Tucker, J. S. Tucker, H. C. Garner, Solomon Snider and others as visitors.

From Black Creek—Minutes.

From Bear Creek—Elder H. M. Williams, and Brethren A. A. Morton, L. B. Lee and Rufus Burruss, visitors.

From Contentnea—Minutes.

From Fishers River—Minutes.

From L. County Line—Minutes.

From Little River—Elder W. A. Simpkins, correspondent.

From Mountain—Elder J. M. Williams and Brother T. A. Fender, correspondents.

From Mayo—Elder J. R. Wilson, correspondent and Brother J. E. Hutchins, visitor.

From New River—Minutes.

From Pig River—Minutes.

From Upper C. Line—Elder W. C. Jones and R. A. Cox, correspondents and J. W. Gilliam, Jr., visitor.

The following brethren were seated as visitors: Elders M. L. Gilbert and Brother Henry Welborn of Mt. Enon

Association, Fla., and Elder Isaac Jones from White Oak Association.

8. The Moderator appointed Elder J. A. Ashburn, and brethren J. W. Hutchins and J, J. Everett to act with the Moderator and Clerk as a committee on arrangements.

9. The Moderator appointed Brethren J. T. Hicks, J. R. Neal, and J. E. Willard a committee on preaching.

10. The Moderator appointed Brethren J. Henry Williard and C. I. Phillips a committee of finance.

11. The Moderator appointed Brethren R. D. Pope, and P. S. Smith, a committee to distribute corresponding minutes, received from the following Associations, to wit: Abbotte Creek, Black Creek, Contentnea. Fishers River, Lower Country Line, Mountain, Mayo, New River, Pig River, Upper Country Line and Ketockton.

12. Agreed that preaching begin at 10 o'clock on Sunday, and that we have 4 sermons on Sunday and three on Monday.

13. Adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

Benediction by Elder A. G. Morton.

Monday Morning, Oct. 11, 1915.

14. The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and after singing, and prayer by W. C. Jones, proceeded to business as follows:

15. Called the roll of messengers and marked absentees.

16. Called for the report of the committee on arrangements. The report was received and the committee discharged.

17. Omitted reading rules of Decorum.

18. Called on correspondents to Sister Association to report. Some of them reported that they attended; those who did not attend were excused.

19. Appointed correspondents to Sister Associations as follows:

Abbotts Creek—Elders P. W. Williard, C. A. Davis and A. G. Morton.

Bear Creek—Elders P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis.

Black Creek—Elder C. A. Davis.

Fishers River—Elders J. A. Ashburn, C. A. Davis, and Brethren S. J. Reich and J. W. Hutchins.

Lower C. Line—Elders P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis.

Mayo—Elders P. W. Williard, J. A. Ashburn and Bro. J. W. Hutchins.

Mountain—Elders J. A. Ashburn, C. A. Davis, and S. J. Reich.

New River—Elder J. A. Ashburn.

Pig River—Minutes.

Upper C. Line—Elder P. W. Williard.

20. Agreed that we send a file of minutes to each of the associations with whom we correspond.

21. Called for circular letter.

It was reported that Elder J. M. Crews, who was appointed to write the letter had died without preparing it.

Acting on this information the association appointed Elder J. A. Ashburn to write an obituary of Elder Crews. to be printed in our next minutes.

22. Appointed Elder P. W. Williard to prepare a circular letter for our next association.

23. The committee on preaching reported from time to time and Brethren preached accordingly as shown in the report of "Preaching."

24. Appointed Elder C. A. Davis to preach the introductory sermon at our next association, and Elder J. A. Ashburn his alternate.

25. Agreed that our next association be held with the church at Sardis, Rockingham Co., N. C., to convene on Saturday before the Second Sunday in October, 1916.

26. Agreed that we have 1,000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed as usual.

27. The committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$33.25
Contributed by brethren and friends	15.55
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The report was received and committee discharged.

28. Offered a resolution of thanks to the brethren, sis-

ters, and friends of this community for their generous hospitality and kindness in entertaining this association.

29. The foregoing minutes were read and approved, after which the Association adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Prayer by Elder J. A. Ashburn.

Elder P. W. Williard, Moderator.

W. L. Teague, Clerk; Elder J. A. Ashburn, Asst. Clerk.

PREACHING—SATURDAY.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder M. L. Gilbert, of Dade City, Fla. Text: Isaah 26-1. "In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah, etc."

Elder J. M. Williams' text, Jeremiah, 8-7.

Elder Isaac Jones' text: Titus, 2-11. "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men.'

SATURDAY NIGHT—

Elder A. G. Morton's text: First John, 4-16. "God is love, etc."

S. J. Reich Licentiate text, Rom. 8-1: "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, etc."

SUNDAY.

Elder Isaac Jones' text, Rev. 22: 1-2: "And He showed me a pure river of water of life, etc."

Elder M. L. Gilbert's text, Hebrews 9-14: "How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, etc."

Elder W. A. Simpkins' text, Psalm 145 10-11: "All thy works shall praise thee, O, Lord, and thy saints shall bless thee, etc."

Elder J. R. Wilson's text, First Corinthians 9-1: "Am I not an apostle? Am I not free, etc."

SUNDAY NIGHT.

Elder John Williams' text, First Corinthians 2-3: "For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ and Him crucified."

Elder W. C. McMillon of Tennessee, text, First John,

17-2. "As thou hast given him power over all flesh, etc."

MONDAY

Elder H. M. Williams, Clerk did not get text.

Elder W. C. Jones' text, Rom. 38-39: "For I am persuaded, etc."

Elder Samuel McMillon concluded the service, text, Ephesians 2-13: "But now is Christ Jesus, ye whom sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ."

ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS

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Elder A. G. Morton, High Point, N. C.
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Elder W. A. Gourley, Stokesdale, N. C.
Licentiate—W. P. Matthews, Kernersville, N. C.
Licentiate—S. J. Reich, Winston-Salem, N. C., No. 7.

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Zion—C. L. Moltz, Galax, Va.	30

STATISTICAL TABLE.

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Abbotts Creek	C. A. Hayworth, Kernersville, N. C., R. 1	J. H. Willard, Charley Phillips, J. E. Williard	1	0	0	0	2	58	1	5.00
Bunker Hill	J. H. McKaughn, Kernersville, N. C., R. 1	Elder J. A. Ashburn, S. J. Reichs, J. A. Thomas	2	0	0	0	1	18	3	1.50
Burlington	C. T. Hudgins, Burlington, N. C.	Elder C. A. Davis, P. S. Smith, R. D. Pope	1	1	0	1	1	21	1	2.00
Cross Roads	J. W. Hutchens, Greensboro, N. C.	D. R. Stafford, Chas. Shields, D. M. Vance	0	0	0	0	0	26	3	2.75
High Point	R. T. Stone, High Point, N. C.	A. J. Tillman, E. H. Rimmer, C. T. Hudgin.	1	0	2	0	2	54	3	3.25
No Creek	H. Dedman, Mocksville, N. C.	W. H. Warren, J. J. Everett, J. W. Hutchins	0	0	0	0	0	32	3	1.25
Sardis	T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C.	Elder A. G. Morton, J. T. Hicks, J. R. Peele	1	0	0	0	1	39	4	2.00
Saint's Delight	C. R. Atkins, Kernersville, N. C.	Levi Trogdon, Frank Foster, Wm. Snider	1	0	0	0	1	56	2	5.00
Winston-Salem	W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C.	W. H. Conner.* T. B. Wilson*, J. R. Neal	0	0	0	0	0	42	4	10.50

Obituary of Elder J M Sims

MINUTES

OF THE

7th Annual Session

OF THE

Salem Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

SARDIS

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, N. C.

Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, October 7, 8, and 9, 1916.

OFFICERS

Elder P. W. Williard Moderator, High Point, N. C., Rt 2.
W. L. Teague, Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Elder S. J. Reich, Asst. Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C. Rt 7.

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, Oct. 7th, 1916.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder C. A. Davis. The fool hath said in his heart, "There is no God."

After an intermission of one hour the messengers from churches met and the Association was opened with prayer by Elder A. L. Moore.

The Moderator appointed Elders S. H. Reid and George Denny to preach at the stand in the afternoon.

Letters were called for, handed in and read and contents noted in the statistical table.

On motion Elder P. W. Williard was chosen Moderator, W. L. Teague, Clerk and Elder S. J. Reich, Asst. Clerk.

Called for petitionary letters. None presented.

Called for correspondence and visiting brethren from sister associations and the following were received: From Abbott's Creek, Elders W. R. Gallimore and Samuel McMillon, correspondents.

From Bear Creek: Minutes.

From Black Creek: Minutes.

From Ebenezer: Minutes.

Fisher's River: Elders F. P. Stone, George Denny and Brother A. F. Stone.

From L. Country Line: Minutes.

From Ketocton: Minutes.

From Kehukee: Minutes.

From Little River: Elder J. M. Williams and Brother Hiram Edwards.

From Mountain: Elder M. B. Martin.

Mayo: Elders A. L. Moore, E. M. Barnard, S. H. Reed, S. R. Biggs, J. W. Flinchum, D. G. Satterfield, licentiate and Brethren J. D. Young, T. W. Tilley and others.

New River: Minutes.

Upper Country Line: Elder J. W. Gilliam, Jr., Brethren B. W. Pruitt and J. A. Walker.

Elder N. T. Oaks was seated as a visitor from Staunton River Association.

The Moderator appointed Brethren J. W. Hutchins, W. H. Neal and J. R. Neal to act with the Moderator and Clerk, a committee on Preaching.

The Moderator appointed Brethren A. V. Crews and L. V. Smith, a Committee on Finance.

The Moderator appointed Elders C. A. Davis and M. L. Williard, a Committee to distribute corresponding minutes received from the following associations: Abbott's Creek, Bear Creek, Black Creek, Contentnea, Ebenezer, Fisher's River, Ketocton, Kehukee, L. C. Line, Mountain, Mayo, New River, Pig River White Oak and Zion.

Agreed that preaching begin at 10 o'clock Sunday, and that we have four sermons on Sunday and three on Monday.

Adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

Benediction by Elder C. A. Davis.

MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 9th, 1916

The Association met pursant to adjournment and after singing a hymn, Elder M. B. Martin, from the Mountain Association, offered prayer, then proceeded to business as follows:

Called the roll of messengers and marked absentees.

Called for the report of the Committee on Arrangements. The committee reported and was discharged.

It was decided to read the Rules of Decorum and that the rules of Decorum be printed in these minutes.

Called on correspondents to sister associations to report. Some of them reported that they attended, those who did not were excused.

Appointed correspondents to sister associations as follows:

Abbott's Creek: Elders P. W. Williard, S. J. Reich and C. A. Davis.

Bear Creek—Elders C. A. Davis and S. J. Reich.

Black Creek: Minutes.

Contentnea: Minutes.

Fisher's River: Elders P. W. Williard, C. A. Davis, S. J.Reich and Brother J. W. Hutchins.

Lower C. Line: Elders C. A. Davis, P. W. Williard, and Brother J. W. Hutchins.

Mayo: Elder C. A. Davis and Brethren J. Q. A. Walls and J. W. Hutchins.

Mountain: Elder C. A. Davis, M. L. Williard, and Brother A. H. Idol.

Little River: Elders C. A. Davis and M. L. Williard,
New River: Minutes.
Pig River: Minutes.
Upper C. Line: Brethren T. B. Wilson and W. S. Paschal.

Agreed that we send a file of minutes to each of the Associations with whom we correspond.

Called for the circular letter, which was handed in, read and ordered printed with these minutes.

Called for the obituary of Elder J. M. Crews, which was read and ordered printed with these minutes.

The Association having learned of the death of Elder J. A. Ashburn, which occurred this morning at 4:45 o'clock appointed W. L. Teague to write an obituary of Elder Ashburn to be read at our next session.

Appointed Elder S. J. Reich to prepare a circular letter for our next session.

The committee on preaching reported from time to time and brethren preached accordingly as shown in the report of Preaching.

Appointed Elder P. W. Williard to preach the introductory sermon at our next Association. Elder S. J. Reich alternate.

Agreed that our next session be held with the church at Bunker Hill, Forsyth County, N. C., which is about three miles southeast from Kernersville, N. C., and to convene on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1917.

Agreed that we have 1,000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed as usual.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$44.35
Contributed by brethren and friends	8.60
Total	$52.95
Allowed for prinaing and postage	$17.50
Allowed for clerk	10.00
Balance (given to ministers)	25.95
Total	$52.95

A vote of thanks was tendered the brethren, sisters and friends for the generous hospitality they manifested in entertaining this Association.

The foregoing minutes were read and approved, after which the Association adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session. . .

Prayer by Elder M. L. Williard.

ELDER P. W. WILLIARD, Moderator.

W. L. Teague, Clerk,
Elder J. S. Reich, Asst. Clerk.

"PREACHING"—SATURDAY

The introductory sermon was reached by Elder C. A. Davis. Text Psalm 14-1. The fool has said in his heart there is no God.

Elder Geo. Denny. Text Isaiah 66-13. As one whom his Mother Comforteth, etc.

Elder S. H. Reed. Text Matthew 1-21. For he shall save his people from their sins.

SUNDAY

Elder M. B. Martin. Text Psalm 8-4. What is Man, that Thou art Mindful of Him, Etc.

Elder E. M. Barnard, Text Matthew 24-14. And this gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached for a witness, etc.

Elder N. T. Oaks. Text, Daniel 2-44. And in the days of these Kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdometc

Elder Samuel McMillon. Text, Psalm 125-2. As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people from henceforth even forever.

MONDAY

Elder A. L. Moore. Text, St. John 14-6. Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, etc.

Elder F. P. Stone. Text, Hebrews 10-7. Then said I, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God.

Elder J. F. Spangler. Text, Romans 8-31. What shall we then say to these things, et.

A number of the brethren preached Saturday and Sunday nights at different places. These services were conducted at the church, Sharps Institute, and private homes. Clerk did not get texts.

REMARKS

This closes the 7th session of the Association which

was pleasant and harmonious. The weather was ideal, the entertainment was all that could be desired, and the order of the vast congregation was exceptionally good.

The ministers were blessed to preach, not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the spirit and of power, that our faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

While the congregation was singing the closing hymn four in number came forward confessing their sins and bringing forth fruits, meet for repentance. They were all joyfully received. Two of the number were old soldiers. One a Mr. Watson, the other a Mr. Martin, who have turned into the servants. Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord.

CLERK.

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VISITING MINISTERS PRESENT

Elders:

A. L. Moore, Martinsville, Va.
M. B. Martin, Bledsoe, N. C.
J. W. Flinchum, Spray, N. C.
Geo. Denny, Pilot Mt., N. C.
S. H. Reed, Walnut Cove, N. C.
E. M. Barnard, Peters Creek, Va.
Samuel McMillon, High Point, N. C.
J. M. Williams, Sparta, N. C.
W. R. Gallimore, Lexington, N. C.
E. P. Stone, Francisco, N. C.
N. T. Oaks, Dry Fork, Va.
J. W. Gilliam, Jr., Altamaha, N. C.
W. F. Pruitt, Ruffin, N. C.
J. F. Spangler, Danville, Va.

LICENTIATES

J. R. Smith, Reidsville, N. C.
D. G. Staples, Stewart, Va.

MINISTERS PRESENT FROM OUR ASSOCIATION

Elder P. W. Williard, High Point, N. C.
Elder M. L. Williard, High Point, N. C., Route 2.
Elder C. A. Davis Kernersville, N. C., Route 1.
S. J. Reich, Winston-Salem, N. C., Route 7.
W. A. Gourley, Danville, Va.

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Mountain—J. M. Rector, Baywood, Va.....22

Mill Branch—C. W. Brown, Tabor, N. C.....30
Mates Creek—H. S. Carter, Coleman, Ky.....30
Mayo—Elder E. M. Barnard, Peter's Creek, Va.....30
New River—Elder P. G. Lester, Floyd, Va.....25
Pig River—Elder E. L. Blakenship, Boon Mill, Va.
Smith's River—Elder Q. D. Weeks, Willis, Va.....24
Staunton River—R. L. Dodson, Ringgold, Va.....20
Senter—J. M. Dickerson, Crumpler, N. C.....30
Upper Country Line—S. T. Hall, Cedar Grove, N. C.....20
Zion—Elder R. T. Monday, Mt. Airy, N. C.....30

CIRCULAR LETTER

To the ministers and messengers who may compose the Salem Association and to the corresponding Brethren who may read this letter. My mind is to write on the resurrection. 1 Cor. 15-21. For since by Man came death, by Man came also the resurrection, and as in Adam all die, in Christ all are made alive, we have the two alls before us, and we will all agree that in Adam all die, then will we agree that all are made alive in Christ, Eph. 1-4 you will find the all that are in Christ according as he has chosen us in him before the foundation of the world that we should be holy and without blame before him in love having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself. The first thing the child of God learns is the mind is resurrected and raised above the Adam man to a higher order of life. Here is the first resurrection to the child of God, and on such the second death hath no power. Turn to Psalm 16:11, thou wilt show me the path of life, in thy presence is fulness of joy, at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore. David had a view of the resurrection and the Christian happy state after death and could say he will not leave my soul in hell, neither will he suffer his holy one to see corruption. Christ is pure and holy and never saw corruption, then as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world that we should be holy and withut blame before him in love. Then God is love, having predestinated us, the same us that was chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world, then as you were in him before the foundation of the world, but are now made manifest and whatever doeth make manifest is light. Then Christ is light and no darkness at all. Then

all of your hope is in Christ. Then as Christ rose above death then the standing of the Christian is above death. Paul in writing to the church at Corinth declares it is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption, and we know the body of Christ was not sown in corruption but in perfection and saw no corruption, then we find again it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory, we know the body of Christ went down to the tomb in honor, the Governor said, take him for I find no fault against him. Then as his chosen elect was and is in Christ when he, Christ, arose, all of the elect rose in him. Dear child of God look and see your glorious standing and you pray to him because you are in him in principle and belief, and when you come to lay down in death it will be to fall asleep in Jesus and the Spirit that led you in the way of all truth will go to God who gave it, and at Christ's second coming your body will be resurrected and changed and this mortal shall put on immortality "death is swallowed up in victory." O death where is thy sting, O grave where is thy victory. The sting of death is sin and the strength of sin is the law, but thanks be to God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ and when the bodies die their souls or spirits go immediately into heaven where they rest in the presence of God until Christ comes back to earth again, not as a sin bearer but to change their bodies and fashion them like unto his own glorious body, that their bodies will then be immortalized and their souls and bodies reunited that they shall then be finally and fully glorified, soul, spirit and body, and will live with God and Christ in all eternity.

P. W. WILLIARD.

OBITUARY OF ELDER JAMES M. CREWS.

James M. Crews, late of Salem Association, was born September 15th, 1877; died March 22nd, 1915, making his stay on earth 37 years 6 months and 7 days. He was a member of a family of 11 children, 4 brothers and 7 sisiters, all children of Iverson Crews. On the 30th day of December 1897 he was married to Miss Lou V. Mathews, daughter of Levi P. Mathews, late of the church at Saints Delight. He was father of 8 children, 4 boys and 4 girls; the oldest son is 16 years old. the youngest is very small. He joined the church at Pine Ridge on or about the 1st Saturday in October 1900. He soon was chosen clerk of said church.

On Sautrday before 1st Sunday in October 1903, he was licensed to preach. On Saturday before the 1st Sunday in August 1904, a Presbytery composed of Elders A. M. Denny and J. J. Joyce, together with Deacons J. W. Moorefield, J. D. Key and S. O. Fulp, after due examination pronounced him sound in the Faith and proceeded to ordain him to the work of the Gospel Ministry, by the usual mode of laying on of hands and prayer. He served Pine Ridge church for quite a while as Pastor and when the church at Bunker Hill was organized he (with others) obtained a letter to join this new organized body and he was called to that place where he served acceptably unto death. He also served the church at No Creek in Davie Co. for a while, but the distance was so great that he finally resigned. Brother Crews was quite small and commonly known as "Little Jimmy Crews." He was rather delicate and very much reserved in his manner. He was modest and much beloved by all who knew him. He spoke trembling—yet he was an able Minister and generally so recognized. In the latter part of his life he was quite afflicted. The writer had several conversations with him, went to his house and requested him if he should be the longest liver to officiate at my funeral and he in turn made the same request of me None knew this but our selves, and strange to say that the entire family joined in the request that we preach his funral. After a long seige of what seemed to be brain fever he died. It is at the request of the family and the Association of which he was a member that I write this Memorial of him. There was an immense throng at the burial of "Little Jimmy Crews." And yet it seemed that all eyes

were filled with tears as we saw him for the last time on earth. We shall hear his trembling voice no more in time, but let us not weep, he is immensely happy in the arms of Jesus. As we went to the burial we were impressed very much with the Scripture, "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death." The impression was so strong that we used it as a text. On our way home Brother Teague, Clerk of our Association remarked to us that he thought the text was given us from the Lord as it was with him the day before. In conclusion let me say the wife has lost a husband, the father and mother a loving son, eight children, a father and the church, a jewel; but the loss is more than repaid when we cast our eyes to the Eternal Bliss into which our Brother has entered there to remain for ever and ever.

Written by J A. ASHBURN.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Clerks and their Post Office	Names of Messengers	No. of minutes	Rec. Ex and Bap.	Rec. by Letter	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Mem.	Sun. of meeting	Contribution
Abbotts Creek	C. A. Hayworth, Kernersville, N. C.	Eld. C. A. Davis, J. J. Idol*, P. S. Smith	75	0	0	0	0	3	55	1	750
Bunker Hill	J. H. McKaughn, Kernersville, N. C.	C. F. Shield, D. R. Stafford, A. B. Crews	25	0	1	0	0	0	19	3	360
Burlington	C. T. Hudgins, Burlington, N. C.	C. T. Hudgins, E. H. Reimer, J. I. Smith	30	2	0	0	2	2	19	1	175
Cross Roads	J. W. Hutchins, Greensboro, N. C.	J. J. Everett*, W.H. Warren, J.W. Hutchine	35	3	1	0	0	2	27	3	275
High Point	R. T. Stone, High Point, No. 2	J. M. Snider, A. H. Idol, A. M. Payne	60	3	0	0	0	2	55	3	675
No. Creek	H. Dedman, Mocksville, N. C.	Church not represented	40								
Sardis	T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C.	A. F. Neal, T. B. Wilson, W. S. Paschal	50	1	0	0	0	1	37	4	550
Plants Delight	C. R. Atkins, Kernersville, N. C.	L. V. Smith, G. H. Williard*, J. C. Williard*	60	4	0	0	0	3	56	2	550
Winston Salem	W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N.C.	Eld.J.A.Ashburn*, EldSJ.Reich, C.A.Sprinkle	50	3	2	0	0	2	45	4	1100
	Absentees marked *	TOTAL	425	16	4	0	2	15	313		4435

Obituary of Elder J. A. Ashburn

Minutes of the Eighth Annual Session of the

SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with the Church at

Bunker Hill, Forsyth County, N. C.

Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Oct. 13, 14, 15, 1917

Officers: Elder P. W. Willard, Mod., High Point, N. C.
W. L. Teague, Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Elder S. J. Reich, Asst. Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C., Route 7

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

SALEM ASSOCIATION

FIRST DAY—SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1917

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, with the church at Bunker Hill, Forsyth County, N. C., Saturday, October 13, 1917.

1. Services were introduced by singing a hymn and prayer by Elder P. D. Gold, after which the introductory sermon was preached by Elder P. W. Williard, from Romans viii. 33, "Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect?"

2. After the usual intermission, the messengers met in the house and the Association was opened with prayer by Elder J. W. Gilliam, Jr.

3. The Moderator appointed Elders Wiley C. Jones and J. W. Gilliam, Jr., to preach at the stand in the afternoon.

4. Letters were called for, handed in and read and contents noted in the statistical table.

5. On motion, Elder P. W. Williard was chosen moderator, W. L. Teague clerk, and Elder S. J. Reich assistant clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None presented.

7. Called for correspondence and visiting brethren from sister associations, and the following were received:

From Abbott's Creek—Brethren L. A. Wright, N. Tucker, Elder Samuel McMillon, messengers; H. W. Johnson, C. E. Gallimore and others, as visitors.

From Bear Creek—Elders H. Taylor, J. F. Mills, and Brother Stanley Edwards, messengers.

From Black Creek—Elder P. D. Gold, and Brother Chas. W. Gold, visitors.

From Contentnea—Minutes.

From Fisher's River—Elder A. M. Denny, messenger; Elder H. D. Mickey and Brother J. E. Tilley, visitors.

From Lower Country Line—J. W. Terry, messenger.

From Ketocton—Not represented.

From Kehukee—Not represented.

From Little River—Not represented.

From Mountain—Minutes.

From Mayo—Elder G. M. Trent, visitor.

From New River—Minutes.

From Upper Country Line—Elder J. W. Gilliam, Jr., messenger; Brethren R. A. Cox, J. H. Combs, Elder Wiley C. Jones, visitors.

Brother John Phipps, of Coatsville, Ind., was seated as a visitor.

8. The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Arrangements—J. J. Everett, J. W. Hutchins, S. R. Garner, with the Moderator and Clerk.

Preaching—A. F. Neal, J. E. Williard and P. S. Smith.

On Finance—J. M. Snyder, Elder C. A. Davis and A. M. Payne.

Distribution of Minutes—A. H. Idol, T. S. Hendrick and A. J. Tillman.

9. Agreed that preaching begin at ten o'clock Sunday, and that we have four sermons, and three Monday.

10. Adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

Benediction by the Moderator.

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THIRD DAY—MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1917

The Association met pursuant to adjournment; and after singing a hymn and prayer by Elder A. M. Denny, proceeded to business as follows

Called the roll of messengers and marked absentees.

11. Called for the report of Committee on Arrangement. Report was received and committee discharged.

12. Omitted reading Rules of Decorum.

13. Called on correspondents to sister associations to report. Some of them reported that they attended. Those who did not were excused.

14. Appointed correspondents to sister associations as follows:

Abbott's Creek—Elders S. J. Reich, P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis.

Bear Creek—Elders C. A. Davis, S. J. Reich and P. W. Williard.

Black Creek—Elder P. W. Williard.

Contentnea—Minutes.

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Mayo—Elders S. J. Reich, C. A. Davis and Brother J. W. Hutchens.

Mountain—Elder C. A. Davis.

Little River—Minutes.

New River—Minutes.

Pig River—Minutes.

Upper Country Line—Elder P. W. Williard.

15. Agreed to send a file of minutes to each of the associations with whom we correspond.

16. Called on Elder S. J. Reich for the circular letter, which was handed in, read and ordered printed with these minutes.

17. Called on W. L. Teague for the obituary of Elder J. A. Ashburn, which was handed in, read and ordered printed with these minutes.

18. Appointed Brother A. F. Neal to prepare a circular letter for our next session.

19. The Committee on preaching reported from time to time, and the brethren preached according as shown in the report of "Preaching Services."

20. Appointed Elder S. J. Reich to preach the introductory sermon at our next Association, and Elder M. L. Williard alternate.

21. Agreed to hold the next session of this association with the church at No Creek, Davie County, N. C., which is about four miles south of Advance, N. C., and to convene on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1918.

22. Agreed that we have 1,000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed as usual.

23. The Finance Committee reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$46.75
Contributed by brethren and friends	7.25
Total amount received	$54.00
Allowed for printing minutes and postage	$17.50
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Total amount paid out	$54.00

24. Offered a resolution of thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community for the generous hospitality they manifested in entertaining this Association.

25. The foregoing minutes were read and approved, after which the Association adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Prayer by Elder S. J. Reich.

ELDER P. W. WILLIARD, Moderator.

W. L. TEAGUE, Clerk.

ELDER S. J. REICH, Assistant Clerk.

PREACHING SERVICES

SATURDAY—The introductory sermon was preached by the Moderator, Elder P. W. Williard, text, Romans viii. 33, "Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect; Elder Wiley C. Jones, text, 1 Corinthians xv. 57, 58, "But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ;" Elder J. W. Gilliam, Jr., text. 1 John iii. 8, 9, "He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil."

SUNDAY—Elder P. D. Gold, text, John i. 18, "No man hath seen God at any time, the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him;" Elder H. D. Mickey, text, St. John iv. 10, "Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knowest the gift of God," etc.; Elder H. Taylor, text, Genesis xxiv. 12, "And he said, O Lord of my master Abraham. I pray thee," etc.; Elder Samuel McMillon, text, Acts xvi. 28, "But Paul cried with a loud voice. saying, Do thyself no harm, for we are all here."

MONDAY—Elder G. M. Trent. text, Isaiah xliii. 1, "Behold my servant, whom I uphold," etc.; Elder J. F. Mills, text, 1 John iv. 7. "Beloved. let us love one another," etc.; Elder A. M. Denny, text, Matthew xiv. 30, "Lord, save me."

VISITING MINISTERS

Elder P. D. Gold, Wilson. N. C.
Elder J. F. Mills, Marshville, N. C.
Elder H. D. Mickey, R. 2, Pinnacle, N. C.
Elder A. M. Denny, R. 3, Pinnacle, N. C.
Elder G. M. Trent, Reidsville, N. C.
Elder W. C. Jones, Burlington, N. C.

Elder J. W. Gilliam, Jr., Altamaha, N. C.
Elder Samuel McMillon, High Point, N. C.
Licentiate J. D. Key, Winston-Salem, N. C.

HOME MINISTERS

Elder P. W. Williard, R. 2, High Point, N. C.
Elder M. L. Williard, R. 2, High Point, N. C.
Elder C. A. Davis, R. 1, Kernersville, N. C.
Elder S. J. Reich, R. 7, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Elder W. A. Gourley, Stokesdale, N. C.
All our home ministers were present except Elder Gourley.

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Zion—Elder R. T. Monday, Mt. Airy, N. C.....15

CIRCULAR LETTER

Winston-Salem, N. C., September 18th, 1917.

To the Messengers and Ministers Who May Compose the Eighth Annual Session of the Salem Association:

As I have been appointed by our Association a year ago to write what is called the circular letter for the consideration of the brethren, it is through great fear and much trembling that I undertake the task. Feeling my unfitness, my unworthiness, and my inability with such keenness that I have been loathe to begin, fearing that I might confuse the minds of my brethren; but I hope the Lord will guide my mind that what I may right may make for peace.

I have in mind to offer some thoughts which I hope will be found in harmony with the Bible; and for a subject I will use the first part of the twenty-ninth verse of the third chapter of St. John, which reads: "He that hath the bride is the bridegroom." We understand from John's declaration that the bridegroom under consideration is Christ, and the bride is His church. Now, according to John, there was some peculiar sense in which He (Christ) had His church (the bride) even before any of them were born Now we would like to consider how He got the bride (the church).

I believe they were all given to Him (Christ) by the Father before the world was, and it was in consideration of the great love that the Father had for the bride (the church) that he gave them to His Son to redeem them. They (the bride) belonging to the Father, the Father giving them to His Son, the Son possessing complete qualifications to redeem them back from under the law of sin and death where they (the bride) had been involved by the transgression of the first Adam. The Bridegroom (Christ) appeared once in the end of the world to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.—Hebrews ix. 26. Now, I understand by this, that He appeared for His bride that His Father gave Him no more, no less, and having appeared for the bride He (Christ) hath forever perfected them that are sanctified.—Hebrews x. 14. And, again, "Husbands, love your wives as Christ also love the church and gave Himself for it, that He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word."—Ephesians v. 25, 26. So we see that love was the great moving cause of redemption.

Christ assumed the law place of His bride, and doing so He had to come and be made of woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. "And because ye are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba Father."—Galatians iv. 4, 5, 6.

Now this adoption, meaning choice, proves that the Father did make choice of a definite number of Adam's fallen race to constitute the bride and gave them to His Son and in due time His Son comes to redeem them and did at the cost of His life and blood.

Christ laid down His life for the bride and took it up again and then ascended back to the Father and now intercedes for her. Before He left the world He prayed for His bride; He said, "I pray not for the world but for those thou hast given me out of the world," the bride. He also said, If I go away I will send you another comforter which shall guide you into all truth. So Christ already has His bride and He will keep them, and send His comforter to comfort them in this life, and when each one of them must come down to pass through the valley of death this same comforter will be there to pilot them through, and they will be more than conquerors through Him who loved us, and we can then say with the poet:

If God is mine, I'll boldly pass through death's tremendous vale,
He is a solid comfort, when all other comforts fail.

So it is God's power that keeps the bride in this unfriendly world, will care for her in death and will resurrect her in the likeness of His Son and take her to a place of eternal bliss and happiness.

Submitted in love, S. J. REICH.

OBITUARY OF ELDER JESSE A. ASHBURN

Jesse A. Ashburn was born in Surry County, N. C., December 21, 1861, and died at his home in Winston-Salem, N. C., October , 1916; making his stay on earth fifty-four years, nine months and eighteen days. On May 25, 1882, he was married to Miss Addie Needham, daughter of Rev. Wm. F. Needham. They lived happily together until death separated them. He leaves a beloved widow four sons—Arthur, Ellis, Issac and Hassell, of Winston-Salem; and one daughter, Mrs. J. T. Ayers, of Pine Hall, N. C., many relatives and friends to mourn his death.

Elder Ashburn was a man whom to know was to love. He had that genial disposition that won for him a host of admiring friends. He received a hope in Christ and joined the Primitive Baptist Church at Ararat, N. C., April, 1888. Soon after he united with the church he began preaching, and was ordained to the full work of the ministry February 7, 1891.

During his ministerial life he had the care of several churches and a number of them he organized and served as pastor. It was his privilege to enjoy the love and fellowship of his brethren and sisters where it was manifested. Elder Ashburn was ever ready to make the necessary sacrifices to serve his churches. brethren and friends when called upon. He was an able minister, a wise

counselor and a faithful pastor. As a minister, he had few equals, and his gift always made room for him. He was a prosperous farmer, as well as a successful business man, always making an independent living for his family. He had said repeatedly, that he never wanted to prove a burden, or become chargeable to the brethren or the churches he served. Therefore, he labored with his own hands as long as he was physically able, and povided well for his own household. He did not expect people to support him and his family because he was a minister of the gospel, but felt that this duty was required of his hands.

Brother Ashburn had been afflicted some few years, but was able to work most of the time, only a few months before his death, when his physicians advised him to go to the hospital for a rest. He went, but returned home in a few weeks, slightly improved, and resumed his work in the bank.

On Friday night, after making the necessary arrangements to go with the writer to the Salem Association, which convened with the church at Sardis, the next day, he retired for the night, and shortly after he retired he was stricken with paralysis, and never spoke another word. The writer was the first one, outside his family, to reach his bedside. Physicians were called and everything was done for Brother Ashburn that medical skill and loving hands could do, but all was to no avail.

While at his bedside in the hospital he would tell of the comforts he received from reading his Bible, and the sweet dreams he had while confined there to his bed. Alas! he told me that he was resigned to the Lord's will, and knew that he would soon be called from time to eternity, and that he desire to go when the Lord called, and in the way the Lord should call him; for he felt that it would be a sweet exchange with him. Therefore, he could say as did Paul, "I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth, there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

Elders P. D. Gold and F. P. Stone conducted the funeral services. A song and prayer service was held at the home, after which a long procession of relatives, neighbors and sympathizing friends followed the remains to the burying ground, at Saints' Delight, where the funeral was preached to a large congregation of people. Then the body of Elder Ashburn was laid in the tomb, a place he had selected and pointed out to the writer some months before his death.

Elder Ashburn was a devoted husband, father, neighbor and brother, and we all shall miss him so much in our homes and in our meetings. To his dear companion and children, Weep not for husband and father, for he is not dead but sleepeth, "Asleep in Jesus." Then, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their good works do follow them."

Written by one who loved him, W. L. TEAGUE,

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Abbott's Creek ..	C A Hayworth, Kernersville, N.C.	Eld C A Davis, P S Smith, J Q A Wall	70	1	..	..	..	1	2	33	1	$ 6.50
Bunker Hill	J H McKaughn, Kernersville, N. C.	D R Stafford, Wesley Mabe, J H McKaugh	35	8	..	..	..	..	..	27	4	5.00
Burlington	C T Hudgins, Burlington, N. C.	C F Hudgins, A J Tillman, E H Reimer*	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	3	2.00
Cross Roads	J W Hutchins, Greensboro, N. C.	J J Everett*, J W Hutchens, W H Warren*	35	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	3	3.00
High Point	R T Stone, R2, High Point, N. C.	T S Hendrick*, J M Snyder, S R Garner*	70	2	1	..	1	1	2	54	3	5.25
No Creek	J A Forrest, R3, Linwood, N. C.	Sam Baily, Levi Trogdon*, D D Bennett	40	8	..	..	..	..	1	34	4	1.50
Sardis	T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C....	A F Neal, T B Wilson, J R Neal*..	65	10	..	1	..	..	3	46	4	6.00
Saints' Delight...	C R Atkins, Kernersville, N. C...	Henry Martin*, Charley Phillip*, Henry Williard*	70	..	..	..	..	..	..	57	2	7.50
Winston-Salem ..	W L Teague, Winston-Salem, NC	Eld S J Reich, J A Thomas, R W Tate	65	2	1	..	..	..	1	47	3	10.00
Absentees marked *.		Total.....	480	31	2	1	1	2	9	363	..	$46.75

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SALEM ASSOCIATION

FIRST DAY, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1918

The Association met pursuant to adjournment with the church at No Creek, Davie County, N. C., Saturday, October 12th, 1918.

1. Services were introduced by singing a hymn and prayer by Elder H. M. Williams from Bear Creek Association, after which the introductory sermon was preached by Elder S. J. Reich from Hobakkuk 2:11.

2. After the usual intermission the messengers met in the meeting house and the Association was opened with prayer by Elder C. A. Davis.

3. Letters were called for, handed in, read and contents noted in Statistical table.

4. On motion Elder P. W. Willard was re-elected Moderator, W. L. Teague, Clerk, and Elder S. J. Reich, Assistant Clerk.

At this point the matter to decide whether we should continue the Association was taken up with said No Creek Church, and after deacons and messengers of said Church discussed the matter among themselves, one of their deacons, Brother J. H. Deadman, asked the Moderator to put the matter before the Association and let the Association decide the matter.

After hearing a statement from Brother T. W. Sofley, a member of said church in regard to information regarding the influenza situation, which seemed in accordance and in line with other churches in this community, the Association voted unanimously to continue the Association.

5. The Moderator appointed Elders H. M. Williams from the Bear Creek Association, and W. R. Gallimore from the Abbotts Creek Association to preach in the afternoon.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None presented.

7. Called for correspondents and visiting brethren from sister Associations. The following were received:

From Abbotts Creek—Elder W. R. Gallimore and Brother J. A. Williams, correspondents; H. C. Williams, C. E. Gallimore, E. Sikes and others as visitors.

From Bear Creek—Elder H. M. Williams, correspondent.
From Black Creek—Not represented.
From Contentnea—Minutes.
From Ebenezer—Minutes.
From Fishers River—Minutes.
From Ketocton—Not represented.
From Kehukee—Minutes.
From Lower C. Line—Not represented.
From Little River—Not represented.
From Mountain—Minutes.
From Mayo—Minutes.
From New River—Not represented.
From Pig River—Minutes.
From U. C. Line—Not represented.

8. The circular letter was called for, but was not presented and no reason given by Bro. A. F. Neal on account of his absence.

9. The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Arrangements—Brother C. A. Sprinkle, A. S. Clinard and T. J. Greer, to act with the Moderator and Clerk.

Preaching—Brother J. A. Forrest, D. D. Benett and J. H. Dedman.

Finance—Elders S. J. Reich, C. A. Davis and Brother Wesley Mabe.

Distribution of Minutes—Brother J. A. Thomas, A. M. Payne.

10. Agreed that preaching begin at 11 o'clock Sunday.

11. Adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock Monday morning. Benediction by the Moderator.

THIRD DAY

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1918

The Association met pursuant to adjournment and deliberations were opened with praise and prayer by Elder P. W. Willard, the Moderator.

Moderator called on the committee on Arrangements to report and the following report was adopted:

1. Call the roll and mark absentees.
2. Read rules of Decorum.
3. Called on correspondents to sister Associations to report. Some of them reported that they attended.

Those who did not attend were excused.

4. Appointed correspondents as follows:
Abbotts Creek—Elders S. J. Reich and C. A. Davis.
Bear Creek—Elders S. J. Reich and C. A. Davis.
Black Creek—Minutes.
Contentnea—Minutes.
Fishers River—Elders C. A. Davis and S. J. Reich.
L. C. Line—Minutes.
Little River—Elder C. A. Davis.
Mayo—Elder P. W. Willard.
Mountain—Minutes.
New River—Minutes.
Pig River—Minutes.
U. C. Line—Elders C. A. Davis, P. W. Willard and S. J. Reich.

5. Agreed to send a file of minutes to each of the Associations with whom we correspond.

6. Called for the circular letter to be read. Brother A. F. Neal, who was appointed to write the letter, was not present and no reason given for not preparing it.

7. Appointed Elder M. L. Willard to prepare a circular letter for our next Association.

8. The committee on preaching reported from time to time, and the brethren preached accordingly, as shown in the report, "Order of preaching."

9. Appointed Elder M. L. Willard to preach the introductory sermon at our next Association, and Elder C. A. Davis, alternate.

10. Agreed to hold the next session of this Association with the church at Winston-Salem, Forsyth County, N. C., and to convene on Saturday before the Second Sunday in October, 1919.

11. Agreed that we have 1,000 copies of these Minutes printed and distributed as usual.

12. The Finance Committee reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$47.25
Contributed by brethren and friends	7.50
Total amount received	$54.75
Allowed for printing minutes and postage	$17.50
Allowed Clerk for his services	10.00
Balance divided among Ministers	27.25
Total amount paid out	$54.75

13. Offered a resolution of thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community for the generous

hospitality they manifested in entertaining this Association, the three days it was in session.

14. The foregoing Minutes were read and approved, after which the Association adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Prayer by Elder S. J. Reich.

ELDER P. W. WILLARD, Moderator.

W. L. TEAGUE, Clerk.

ELDER S. J. REICH, Assistant Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

SATURDAY—The introductory sermon was preached by Elder S. J. Reich, Text Habakkuk 2:11, "For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the timber shall answer it." Elder H. M. Willams, text, Matthew 1:21, "And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His Name Jesus; for He shall save His people from their sins. Elder W. R. Gallimore, Matthew 5-6, Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled.

SUNDAY—Elder P. W. Willard, text Heb. 12:28, wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. Elder S. J. Reich, text Heb. 4:10, for he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from His. Elder S. H. Reed, text, Acts 4:19-20, But Peter and John answered and said unto them, whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye, etc. Elder C. A. Davis, text, Matthew 11:27-28, All things are delivered unto me of my Father, etc.

MONDAY—Elder H. M. Williams, referred to no special text. Elder P. W. Willard, text 1st John 1:3, That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, etc.

At the close of the services Sunday evening a young lady, Miss Jennie Potts, came before the church at this place, and with her experience, she was received amidst much rejoicing.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association Clerks, Postoffices	Number of Minutes
Abbott's Creek—A. L. Owens, R. 2, Salisbury, N. C.	20
Black Creek—Elder J. F. Farmer, Wilson, N. C.	25
Bear Creek—J. W. Jones, Marshville, N. C.	30
Contentnea—Elder J. P. Tingle, Grantboro, N. C.	25
Ebenezer—W. L. Carpenter, Brightwood, Va.	20
Fishers River—Elder F. P. Stone, R. 1, Francisco, N. C.	25
Ketocton—Elder T. S. Dalton, McLean, Va.	24
Kehukee—B. S. Cowing, R. 2, Williamston, N. C.	45

Lower Country Line—J. H. Gooch, Stem, N. C.---------- 20
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ORDAINED MINISTERS PRESENT

Elder P. W. Williard, R. 2, High Point, N. C.
Elder C. A. Davis, R 1, Kernersville, N. C.
Elder S. J. Reich, R. 7, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Elder S. H. Reed, Walnut Cove, N. C.
Elder H. M. Williams, R. 1, Indian Trail, N. C.
Elder W. R. Gallimore, Lexington, N. C.

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Bunker Hill	J. H. McKaughn, R. 1, Kernersville, N. C.	L. E. Matthews*, D. Vance*, Wesley Mabe	35	--	--	--	--	--	--	27	4	5.25
Burlington	C. T. Hudgins, Burlington, N. C.	A. J. Tillman*, J. I. Smith*, C. T Hudgins*	30	--	--	--	--	--	2	17	3	2.00
Cross Roads	J. W. Hutchins, Greensboro, N. C.	Not represented in person or by letter	35	--	--	--	--	--	--	00	3	0.00
High Point	R. T. Stone, R. 2, High Point, N. C.	A. M. Payne, T. J. Greer, J. M. Snyder	70	4	1	--	--	--	--	59	3	5.50
No Creek	J. A. Forrest, R. 3, Linwood, N. C.	D. D. Bennett, J. A. Forrest, J. H Dedman	40	2	--	--	--	--	--	34	4	3.50
Sardis	T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C.	W. H. Comes*, W. B. Gentry*, J. A Bailey*	65	--	3	--	--	--	2	48	4	6.00
Saint's Delight	C. R. Atkins, Kernersville, N. C.	L. L. Smith*, L. V. Smith, J. E. Williard	70	--	--	--	--	--	--	57	2	5.00
Winston-Salem	W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C.	Elder S. J. Reich, C. A. Sprinkle, W. L. Teague	65	4	2	--	--	1	--	52	3	10.00
Absentees marked *		Total	480	11	6	0	0	1	7	345	--	$47.25

MINUTES

OF THE

10TH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

SALEM
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Winston-Salem

Forsyth County, N. C.

Saturday, Sunday and Monday,

October 11th, 12th and 13th, 1919

OFFICERS:

Elder P. W. Williard, Moderator, High Point, N. C.

W. L. Teague, Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Elder O. J. Denny, Assistant Clerk, Winston-Salem, N. C.

SATURDAY'S SESSION

1. Met in the New Pepper Warehouse at 11 a. m., and after singing a few selections, prayer was offered and the introductory was preached by Elder Isaac Jones from White Oak Association. Text 2nd. Tim. 4:2. Preach the word.

2. An intermission of one hour was given for dinner, after which the Association met in a room in the warehouse, and after singing a hymn, prayer was offered by Elder P. G. Lester, from New River Association.

3. Then letters from the various churches composing the Association were called for, read and contents noted in statistical table.

4. Then organized by re-electing Elder P. W. Williard, Mod., and W. T. Teague, Clerk. Elder O. J. Denny was chosen assistant Clerk.

5. The Moderator appointed Elders J. A. Cave and W. H. Atkins to preach in the afternoon.

6. Called for petitionary letters. No response.

7. Called for messengers and visitors from Sister Associations and the following were received:

From Abbotts Creek—Brethren L. A. Wright, P. M. Foster, E. Sikes, Samuel Snider, A. L. Owen, Elder Samuel McMillan, R. F. Strange and others.

Bear Creek—Elder H. M. Williams, Brethren, J. F. Burris and J. W. Jones.

Black Creek—Elders P. D. Gold, C. B. Hall, J. C. Hooks and J. W. Wyatt.

Contentnea—Not represented.

Ebenezer—Minutes.

Fisher River—Elders G. O. Key, W. H. Atkinson, Geo. Denny and Brethren H. M. Southern, John E. Tilly, P. W. Lawrence, W. F. Nixon and others.

Ketockton—Not represented.

Kehukee—Elder J. A. Shaw.

Lower C. Line—Brethren J. H. Gooch and J. W. Terry.

Little River—Not represented.

Mountain—Elder M. B. Martin, Brethren Tom Fenner, R. F. Edwards and A. M. Edwards.

Mayo—Elders H. F. Hutchens, S. H. Reed, J. A. Fagg, Walter Mabe, and Brethren J. W. Moorefield, T. W. Cox and others.

New River—Elder P. G. Lester.

Pig River—Elders Randolph Perdue and F. F. Eggleton, visitors.

Upper C. Line—Elder O. J. Denny, visitor.

A file of minutes was received from the following Associations: Abbott's Creek, Bear Creek, Ebenezer, Fishers River, Kehukee, Lower C. Line, Mountain, New River, Pig River, Staunton River, and Zion.

8. The circular letter written by Elder M. L. Williard was called for, read and approved by the Association and ordered printed in the minutes.

9. The Moderator appointed the following committees: On arrangements, Elder C. A. Davis, Brethren P. S. Smith and J. W. Hutchens to act with the Moderator and Clerk.

Preaching—Brethren G. L. Ziglars, C. A. Sprinkle and Elder S. J. Reich.

Finance—Brethren J. J. Everett, J. E. Williard and Henry Williard.

Distribution of Minutes—Brethren J. A. Thomas and Ellis Tate.

10. Agreed that preaching service begin at 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

11. Brother T. H. Bently of Mt. Holly appeared before the Association and stated that Silver Creek Association desired to take up correspondence with our Association.

Acting upon the statement, the Association voted unanimously to grant the request.

12. Adjourned to meet at the church house Monday morning 9 o'clock. Benediction by Elder O. J. Denny.

MONDAY'S SESSION

The Association met in the church house Monday at 9 o'clock. After singing a few selections, prayer was offered by Elder P. D. Gold.

The Moderator called on Committee on Arrangements. Report followed.

1. Call the roll and mark absentees.

2. Omit reading rules of decorum.

3. Called on messengers to Sister Associations for reports. The reports were commendable from those who attended and those who did not attend were excused.

4. Appoint messengers to visit sister Associations as follows:

Abbott's Creek—Elders P. W. Williard, C. A. Davis, S. J. Reich and M. L. Williard.
Bear Creek—Elders S. J. Reich and C. A. Davis.
Black Creek—Elder C. A. Davis.
Contentnea—Minutes.
Fisher's River—Elder C. A. Davis and S. J. Reich.
Little River—Minutes.
Lower C. Line—Elder C. A. Davis.
Mayo—Brother J. H. Hutchens.
Mountain—Minutes.
New River—Elder S. J. Reich.
Pig River—Minutes.
Upper C. Line—Elders P. W. Williard and S. J. Reich.
Silver Creek—Minutes.

5. Agreed to send a file of minutes to each of the Associations with whom we correspond.

6. Called for Circular Letter which was read in the Association Saturday, adopted and ordered printed in the minutes.

7. Elder C. A. Davis appointed to write the next Circular Letter.

8. Committee on preaching reported from time to time, and the brethren preached accordingly, as shown in the report, "order of preaching."

9. Agreed not to appoint any one to preach the introductory at our next association.

10. Agreed to hold the next session of this Association with the church at Saint's Delight, Forsyth County, N. C., which is located on the good road leading from Winston-Salem to Kernersville.

11. Agreed that the clerk have 1,000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed as usual.

12. The financial committee's report showed:

Cash received from churches	$68.10
Cash received from friends	7.00
	$75.10

EXPENDITURES

For printing minutes, and postage on same	$17.50
Allowed clerk for services	10.00
Amount given visiting ministers	47.60
	$75.10

13. The following resolution was unainmously

adopted: Resolved, That we express our appreciation and thanks, Mr. T. R. Pepper for the use of the Pepper warehouse, Saturday and Sunday where the Association was held, the managers of Brown's new Warehouse, Leader Warehouse, and the Piedmont Warehouse for the use of them in storing cars and other vehicles, the Odd Fellows for the use of 100 chairs, Mr. R. H. Shelton for chairs and other furniture, The Huntley Hill Stockton Furniture Co. for the use of 500 chairs, and, all others who so kindly aided in any way in entertaining this Association.

14. The foregoing minutes were read and approved, and then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session. Benediction by Elder P. G. Lester.

(Elder) P. W. WILLIARD, Moderator
W. L. TEAGUE, Clerk.
(Elder) O. J. DENNY, Assist. Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

SATURDAY—Elder Isaac Jones, 2nd Tim. 4:2. Preach the Word. Elder W. H. Atkinson, 1st. Chron. 16:34. "O Give Thanks unto the Lord, etc." Elder J. A. Cave did not fill his appointment.

SATURDAY NIGHT—Elder S. R. Biggs, Job 23:16. For God Maketh my Heart Soft, etc. Elder J. A. Shaw, John 16:13. How be it When He, the Spirit of Truth is Come; He will Guide You Into all Truth.

SUNDAY MORNING—Elder Randolph Pardue. Matt. 10:6. But Go Rather to the Lost Sheep of the House of Israel. Elder P. D. Gold, no special text. Elder Isaac Jones, Jonah 2:9. Salvation is of the Lord.

AFTERNOON—Elder C. B. Hall, Leviticus 16:21. And Shall Send Him Away by the Hand of a Fit Man Into the Wilderness. Elder P. G. Lester, Eph. 2:8. For by Grace Are You Saved, etc.

SUNDAY NIGHT—Elder M. B. Martin, Song of Solomon, 8:8. We have a Little Sister, etc. Elder J. C. Hooks, Rev. 1:18. I Am He That Liveth and Was Dead, etc.

MONDAY MORNING—Elder M. B. Martin. Clerk did not get text. Elder J. A. Cove, Eph. 5:1. Be Ye. Therefore Followers of God as Dear Children, etc. Elder Samuel McMillan, Jer. 31:3. I Have Loved Thee With an Everlasting Love.

The Moderator closed with a few appropriate remarks.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association Clerks Postoffices Number of Minutes

Abbott's Creek—A. L. Owens, R. 2, Salisbury, N. C.------ 20

Black Creek—Elder J. F. Farmer, Wilson, N. C. 25
Bear Creek—J. W. Jones, Marshville, N. C. 30
Contentnea—Elder J. P. Tingle, Grantsboro, N. C. 25
Ebenezer—W. L. Carpenter, Brigthwood, Va. 20
Fishers River—Elder F. P. Stone, R. 1, Francisco, N. C. 25
Ketocton—Elder T. S. Dalton, McLean, Va. 24
Kehukee—B. S. Cowing, R. 2, Williamston, N. C. 45
Lower Country Line—J. H. Gooch, Stem, N. C. 20
Little River—J. A. T. Jones, McCullers, N. C. 25
Mountain—J. M. Rector, Baywood, Va. 22
Mill Branch—Elder Thomas Bell, Wampee, S. C. 25
Mates Creek—H. S. Carter, Coleman, Ky. 25
Mayo—Elder E. M. Barnard, Peter's Creek, Va. 30
New River—Elder F. P. Branscome, Laurel Fork, Va. 25
Pig River—Elder E. L. Blankenship, Boon Mill, Va. 30
Smith's River—Elder Q. D. Weeks, Willis, Va. 24
Staunton River—R. L. Dodson, Ringgold, Va. 20
Senter—J. M. Dickerson, Crumpler, N. C. 25
Upper Country Line—S. T. Hall, Cedar Grove, N. C. 20
Zion—Elder R. T. Monday, Mt. Airy, N. C. 15
Silver Creek—Elder P. M. Stanley, R. 3, Lenoir, N. C. 25

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS PRESENT

Isaac Jones ..... Maple Hill, N. C.
W. H. Atkinson ..... Round Peak, N. C.
J. A. Cave .....
J. A. Shaw ..... Elizabeth City, N. C.
S. R. Biggs ..... Nettle Ridge, Va.
P. D. Gold ..... Mebane, N. C.
P. G. Lester ..... Floyd, Va.
Dr. C. B. Hall ..... Hillsboro, N. C.
Randolph Pardue ..... Madison, N. C.
M. B. Martin ..... Fitch, N. C.
J. C. Hooks ..... Fremont, N. C.
J. W. Wyatt ..... Selma, N. C.
H. F. Williams ..... Indian Trail, N. C. R. 1
W. R. Gallimore ..... Lexington, N. C.
J. A. Fagg ..... Walnut Cove, N. C.
S. H. Reed ..... Walnut Cove, N. C.
G. O. Key ..... Pilot Mountain, N. C.
Samuel McMillon ..... High Point, N. C.
Geo. Denny ..... Pinnacle, N. C., R. 3
J. G. Southern ..... Winston-Salem, N. C. R. 5
D. G. Staples ..... Greensboro, N. C.
Walter Mabe ..... Danbury, N. C.

F. F. Eggleton ---------- Danville, Va.
H. F. Hutchins ---------- Spray, N. C.
O. J. Denny ---------- Winston-Salem, N. C.
P. W. Williard ---------- High Point, N. C.
M. L. Williard ---------- High Point, N. C.
C. A. Davis ---------- Kernersville, N. C.
S. J. Reich ---------- Winston-Salem, N. C., R. 7

LICENTIATES

J. D. Key ---------- Winston-Salem, N. C.
A. B. Key ---------- Rusk, N. C.
John R. Smith ---------- Reidsville, N. C.

CIRCULAR LETTER

To the Household of Faith:—

As I was appointed to write a letter to be printed in our minutes, I wish above all things to speak the things that become sound doctrine, God being my helper. We will try to speak of the great teaching of the Apostle Peter, second epistle, first chapter: in this he is teaching all that have obtained like precious faith, he desires to stir up their minds to a remembrance of the great blessings that have been bestowed on them. And this is given that we should remember what a precious gift our faith is. We will notice in a very brief way the third verse, "According as His divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness." We learn by this that all that the church of God needs to conduct her safe through this low ground or sorrow, has been given by this Divine Man, Christ Jesus.

Let us watch as well as pray, that we don't fall short, nor go beyond His teaching. Fourth verse, "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises that by these, ye might be partakers of the Divine nature." When the Apostle began to speak of the greatness of the promises that makes us partakers of the Divine nature, he declares that they exceed greatness, that is, (surpass go beyond greatness). Now dear brothers and sisters and all that have obtained this precious faith are exhorted in fifth verse, to "Add to your faith, virtue, knowledge, patience, godliness and brotherly kindness." And if we lack these things we are blind and cannot see afar off. We don't enjoy darkness, then we should do the things that the Apostle says will give us knowledge in the Lord Jesus Christ. "If ye love Me, keep My commandments."

In keeping "His commandments" we prove our love for Him and honor the profession that we have made. "Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God."

How pleasant to have a conscience void of offense toward God. But how restless and disquieted we are when we feel like our conduct calls loud for God's stripes.

But if any one be cast down groaning, because he feels that he is worthy of stripes, you are taught in God's word not to faint. "For if we are without chastisements we are bastards and not sons."

"Let brotherly love continue"—Hebrews, 12:1.

"And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake, hath forgiven you."—Ephesians 4:32.

Paul has given us just such teaching as we greatly need and we ought to always heed it and not go headlong and stubborn and hurt ourselves and others.

Paul knew so much about our carnal nature that he did not say feel tenderhearted, for that we cannot always do. But be tender-hearted, act so, regardless of our feelings. Put off the old man with his deeds. We ought to thank and praise God for blessing us with wisdom to see and know that the old man is full of evil. For before we knew that we did not come to God, in sincere and humble prayer. "For to be carnally minded is death." Then when we are blessed to see what is in the carnal mind we begin to call on the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world. May God bless us all.

M. L. WILLIARD.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Clerks and Postoffices	Names of Messengers	No. of Minutes	Rec'd by Exp. nd Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contribution
Abbott's Creek	C. A. Hayworth, R. 1, Kernersville, N. C.	R. D. Pope, P. S. Smith, C. A. Davis	60	0	0	0	0	0	1	50	$14.0
Bunker Hill	J. H. McKaughan, R. 1, Kernersville, N. C	Wesley Mabe, xCharlie Shields, xL. E. Matthews	35	4	0	0	0	0	1	31	5.5
Burlinton	C. T. Hodgins, Burlington, N. C.	xA. J. Tillman, I. I. Smith, xC. T. Hudgins	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	2.5
Cross Roads	J. W. Hutchens, Greensboro, N. C.	xJ. J. Everett, J. W. Hutchens, xT. D. Clayton	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	7.0
High Point	R. T. Stone, R. 1, Trinity, N. C.	T. S. Hedrick, J. T. Hicks, T. J. Greer	70	2	3	0	0	0	0	65	6.7
No Creek	J. A. Forrest, R. 2, Linwood, N. C.	xD. D. Bennett, Thomas Sofley, xH. F. Foster	40	2	0	0	2	0	3	34	5.3
Saints Delight	C. R. Atkins, Kernersville, N. C.	Henry Williard, xJ. E. Williard, J. C. Williard	65	2	0	0	0	0	0	57	6.0
Sardis	T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C.	A. F. Neal, xJ. R. Neal, xS. A. Goolsby	60	7	0	0	0	0	0	54	6.0
Winston-Salem	W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C.	W. L. Teague, W. E. Snyder, Ellis Tate	65	5	0	0	0	0	1	56	15.0
Absentees marked x		Total	455	22	3	0	2	0	6	391	68.1

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MINUTES
OF THE
11TH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
SALEM
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

Held with the Church at Saints Delight, Forsyth County, North Carolina, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, October 9th, 10th and 11th, 1920.

OFFICERS:

Elder P. W. Williard, Moderator, High Point, N. C.
W. L. Teague, Clerk,_____Winston-Salem, N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS.

Saturday Morning, October 9, 1920.

1. Met at the stand and, after singing, Elder J. A. Kave led in prayer and the introductory sermon was preached by Elder O. J. Denny, from St. John 3:6.

2. An intermission was given for dinner, after which the messengers from the several churches met in the house where the association was opened with praise and prayer by Elder Gabriel Denny, from Fishers River Association.

3. Letters from the churches composing the association were called for, red and contents noted in Statistical table.

4. Organized by choosing Elder P. W. Williard Moderator, W. L. Teague Clerk, and Elders O. J. Denny and S. J. Reich assistent Clerks.

5. The Moderator appointed Elders Marshall Williams and J. A. Kave to preach at the stand in the afternoon, while the association was in session.

6. Called for Petitionary Letters, when Mt. Vernon, a newly organized church, responded with a letter and messengers asking to become a member of this, the Salem Association ; and, acting upon the request, after due consideration, the association voted unanimously to receive the said church as a member of this association, and the Moderator extended to her messengers the righthand of fellowship.

7. An invitation to messengers and visitors from sister associations was extended, inviting them to take seats with us, and those present were received as follows : From Abbotts Creek, Elder Samuel McMillan, E. Sikes, L. A. Wright and others ; Bear Creek, Elder Marshall Williams, J. F. Burris and others ; Black Creek, Contentnea, Ebenezer, Ketocton, Little River, and Pig River not represented ; Fishers River, Elders G. O. Key, Gabriel Denny, Geo. Denny and others ;

Lower Country Line, Brother J. W. Terry; the Mountain, Brethren J. M. Rector and R. F. Edwards; Mayo, Elder J. A. Fagg, J. W. Moorefield and others; New River, Elder P. G. Lester; Silver Creek, Brother T. H. Bentley and Elder J. A. Kave; Upper Country Line, Elders W. F. Pruitt, J. W. Gilliam, O. J. Denny and Brethren W. G. Dix, R. A. Cox and others; and a file of minutes from Abbotts Creek, Bear Creek, Kehukee, Lower Country Line, Mill Branch, New River, Pig River, Zion, Silver Creek and White Oak.

8. The Circular Letter, written by Elder C. A. Davis, was called for, read and ordered attached to these minutes.

9 The Moderator appointed committees as follows: P. S. Smith, J. L. Spach and T. Hedrick, to act with the Moderator and Clerk as a Committee on Arrangements; R. W. C. Tate, Sanders Dennis and J. T. Hicks a Committee on Preaching; M. L. Williard, L. V. Smith and John R. Smith a Committee on Finance; W. E. Snider and J. R. Neal a Committee on Distribution of Minutes.

10. Agreed that preaching begin at 10 o'clock Sunday morning, and that we have four sermons on Sunday.

11. Adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock. Benediction by Eld. P. G. Lester, of New River Association.

MONDAY'S SESSION.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment; and, after singing, prayer was offered by Elder J. W. Gilliam, from Upper Country Line Association.

The Moderator called on Committee on Arrangements to report, and the report is as follows:

1. Call the Roll and mark Absentees.
2. Read Rules of Decorum.
3. Call on messengers appointed to visit sister associa-

tions to report. Reports were satisfactory. Those failing to attend were excused.

4. Appoint messengers to sister associations, and appointments were made as follows : To Abbotts Creek, Elders P. W. Williard, S. J. Reich and C. A. Davis ; Bear Creek, Elders S. J. Reich and C. A. Davis ; Black Creek and Contentnea, minutes ; Fishers River, Elders S. J. Reich, C. A. Davis and J. A. Thomas ; Little River, Elders C. A. Davis and S. J. Reich ; Lower Country Line, minutes ; Mayo, Elder P. W. Williard and Brother J. E. Williard ; Mountain, Elders P. W. Williard and C. A. Davis ; New River and Pig River, minutes ; Silver Creek, Elder S. J. Reich ; Upper Country Line, Elders C. A. Davis, P. W. Williard, S. J. Reich and Brother C. T. Hudgins ; White Oak, minutes.

5. Appointed Elder S. J. Reich to write a Circular Letter to be read at our next session.

6. The Committee on Preaching reported from time to time, and the brethren preached accordingly, as shown under "Order of Preaching."

7. Agreed not to appoint any one to preach the introductory sermon at our next session.

8. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at Cross Roads, Guilford county, N. C., four miles east of Summerfield, N. C., beginning on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1921.

9. Committee on Finance reported as Follows :

Cash received from the churches,		$79.75
Cash received from friends,		24.00
Paid balance due Clerk on last year's minutes,	$7.50	
Paid for printing these minutes, and postage,	25.00	
Allowed Clerk for his service,	10.00	
Balance given to ministers,	61.25	
Totals	$103.75	$103.75

10. Ordered that the Clerk have 1000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and associations with whom we correspond.

11. The following resolution was unanimously adopted :

Resolved : That we express our appreciation and thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community for their generous hospitality manifested in entertaining and caring for this association.

12. The foregoing minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session. Prayer by Elder P. G. Lester.

P. W. WILLIARD, Mod.

W. L. TEAGUE, Clerk.

ELDERS O. J. DENNY and S. J. REICH, Ast. Clerks.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

To the Brethren and Sisters of the Salem Association, and to the Household of Faith, Greetings :

As I was appointed to write the Circular Letter, I will try, as God may direct. I feel my weakness. "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things," in a kingdom which hath no end. Christ said the Kingdom of God is set up within us, who are born of the Spirit. When this is done we are made new creatures, and our desires are changed. Paul says the things I once loved, I now hate ; and the things I once hated I now love. I believe every child of grace feels the same way, that is, that he has no righteousness to plead on his part. Paul says, again, "O wretched man that I am ! who shall deliver me from the body of this death ?" I hope I have felt this.

But, sometimes, I feel that I have caught at the shadow and missed the substance. Yet, I hope, by the grace of God I am what I am. Paul, in this warfare, called it a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet us, lest we be exalted above measure. God says, "My grace is sufficient for thee." I am confident of that. It is sufficient. Lord, I believe, help thou mine unbelief. So much of my time I am in the dark. David says, "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me."—Ps. 51:10. When at home in the body we are absent from the Lord. For living after the flesh we are given over to Satan for the destruction of the flesh. God knows what we have need of before we ask him. So we must say that salvation is wholly of grace, and not of works, lest any man should boast. So boasting is excluded. We are fellow citizens together in the Lord, seeing eye to eye and speaking the same thing. as it is in Christ. Let us live in unity and in the bonds of peace. "Let brotherly love continue." In this world we have tribulations, but in Christ we have peace. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you."—John 14:27. "By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God."—Eph. 1:5. This grace was given for us in Christ Jesus before the world began.

So, farewell. Remember me at a throne of grace. Your poor unworthy brother in bonds of the gospel, I hope.

C. A. Davis.

R. 1, Box 23, Kernersville, N. C.

ORDER OF PREACHING.

Saturday—(1) Elder O. J. Denny preached the introductory, from St. John 3:6; "That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." (2) Elder Marshall Williams, from St. John 5:25; Verily, verily, I say unto you," etc.

(3) Elder J. A. Kave, from St. John 19:19; "And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross." etc.

Sunday—(1) Elder Samuel Mc.Millan preached from Eph. 2:13,14; "But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ." (2) Eld. P. G. Lester, from Rom. 8:27,28; "And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit," etc. (3) Elder J. A. Fagg, afternoon, preached from Jer. 1:6; "Then said I, Ah, Lord God! behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child." (4) Elder G. O. Key, from Eph. 2:8; "For by grace are ye saved through faith," etc.

Monday—(1) Elder Gabriel Denny preached from Gal. 1:9; "As we said before," etc. (2) Elder W. F. Pruitt, 1 Cor. 10:1; "Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant," etc.

W. L. Teague, Clerk.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES AMONG THE CHURCHES

Churches	Clerks	Postoffices	No. of Min.
Abbotts Creek,	C. A. Hayworth,	R. 1, Kernersville, N. C.,	50
Bunker Hill,	J. H. McKaughan,	R. 1, Kernersville, N. C.,	35
Burlington,	C. T. Hudgins,	Burlington, N. C.,	20
Cross Roads,	J. W. Hutchens,	Greensboro, N. C.,	35
High Point,	R. T. Stone,	R. 1, Trinity, N. C.,	75
No Creek,	J. A. Forest,	R. 2, Linwood, N. C.,	40
Saints Delight,	C. R. Atkins,	Kernersville, N. C.,	65
Sardis,	T. B. Wilson,	Madison, N. C.,	55
Winston-Salem,	W. L. Teague,	Winston-Salem, North Carolina,	60
Mount Vernon,	N. J. Welch,	R. 5, Winston-Salem, North Carolina,	15
Tatal			450

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Associations	Clerks and Postoffices	No. of Min.
Abbotts Creek	A. L. Owen, R. 2, Salisbury, North Carolina,	20
Black Creek	Elder J. F. Farmer, Wilson, North Carolina,	25
Bear Creek	J. W. Jones, Tarboro, North Carolina,	30
Contentnea	Elder J. P. Tingle, Grantsboro, North Carolina,	25
Ebenezer	W. L. Carpenter, Brightwood, Virginia,	20
Fishers River	Elder F. P. Stone, R. 1, Francisco, North Carolina,	25
Ketocton	Elder T. S. Dalton, 3024 Presstman Street, Baltimore, Md.	24
Kehukee	B. S. Cowing, R. 2, Williamston, North Carolina,	45
Lower Country Line	J. H. Gooch, Stem, North Carolina,	20
Little River	J. A. T. Jones, McCullers, North Carolina,	25
Mountain	J. M. Rector, Baywood, Virginia,	22
Mill Branch	M. Mears, Tarboro, North Carolina,	10
Mates Creek	H. S. Carter, Coleman, Kentucky,	25
Mayo	Deacon S. G. Dobyns, Claudville, Virgina,	30
New River	Elder F. P. Branscome, Laurel Fork, Virginia,	25
Pig River	Elder E. L. Blankenship, Boone Mill, Virginia,	30
Smiths River	Elder Q. D. Weeks, R. 2, Willis, Virginia,	24
Staunton River	R. L. Dodson, Ringold, Virginia,	20
Senter	J. F. Hartzog, Idlewild, North Carolina,	25
Upper Country Line	Eld. J. W. Gilliam, Altamahaw, North Carolina.	20
Silver Creek	T. H. Bentley, Stanley, North Carolina,	10
White Oak	Elder Isaac Jones. Maple Hill, North Carolina,	30
Zion	Elder R. T. Monday, Shores, Virginia,	15
Total		545

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS PRESENT.

ELDERS.

P. G. Lester,_____Floyd, Virginia
J. A. Kave,_____Othello, North Carolina
J. A. Fagg,_____Walnut Cove, North Carolina
S. H. Reed,_____Walnut Cove, North Carolina
G. O. Key,_____Pilot Mountain, North Carolina
George Denny,_____Pinnacle, North Carolina
Gabriel Denny,_____Pinnacle, North Carolina
W. F Pruitt,_____R. 1, Ruffin, North Carolina
W. A. Gourley,_____Stokesdale, North Carolina
J. W. Gilliam,___R. 1, Altamahaw, North Carolina
J.G.Southern, R. 4, Winston Salem, North Carolina
F. F. Eggleton,___Winston-Salem, North Carolina
O. J. Denny,_____Winston-Salem, North Carolina
S. J. Reich,__R. 7, Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Samuel McMillan,___High Point, North Carolina
P. W. Williard,_____High Point, North Carolina
M. L. Williard,_____High Point, North Carolina
C. A. Davis,____R. 1, Kernersville, North Carolina
H. M. Williams,_____Indian Trail, North Carolina
W. C. Jones,_____Burlington, North Carolina

LICENTIATES

J. D. Key,_____Winston-Salem, North Carolina

CHURCHES	NAMES OF MESSENGERS	Sunday Meet.	Ordain'd Min.	Licensed Min.	Rec'd by Ex.	Rec'd by Let.	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. in fellow.	Contributions
Abbotts Creek,	R. D. Pope, P. S Smith and C. A. Hayworth,	Not reported		2				4	1	2	45	10.00
Bunker Hill,	D. R. Stafford, J H. McKaughan and C. L Williard,*	Not reported		1				1			31	5 00
Burlington,	A. J. Tillman,* J. I. Smith* and C. T. Hudgins,	Not reported							1		16	2.50
Cross Roads	J. W. Hutchens,* O. M. Bennett, T. D Clayton, W. H. Warren,	Not reported		2	2			2		1	28	6.00
High Point,	T. Hedrick, Sanders Dennis and J. T. Hicks,	Not reported			5						70	12 25
No Creek,	D. D. Bennett, Thomas Sofley and John Nance,	Not reported		2				1	1	1	33	4.00
Saints Delight,	L. V. Smith, S. L. Spach and J. H. Smith.	Not reported		1						1	57	10.00
Sardis,	S. A. Goolsby,* J. R. Neal* and P. B. Neal,*	Not reported			1					2	51	7.00
Winston-Salem	R. W. C. Tate, B. F. Southern and W. E. Snider,	Not reported								2	54	20.00
Mount Vernon,	N. J. Welch, B. J. Snider and Elder J. G. Southern,	Not reported									6	3.00
	Totals			8	8	00		8	3	9	391	$379.75

* Absentees.

MINUTES OF THE
SALEM
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

THE TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION

Held with the church at Cross Roads, Guilford County, North Carolina, on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, October 8, 9, and 10, 1921.

Elder C. A. Davis, Moderator, R. 1, Kernersville, N. C.
W. L. Teague, Clerk, ... Winston-Salem, N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS.

Saturday Morning, Oct. 8, 1921.

1. After singing, Elder M. B. Martin led in prayer and the introductory sermon was preached by Elder C. A. Davis. Text: Heb. 8:1.

2. The usual intermission was given for dinner, after which the messsengers from the several churches met in the house where the association was opened with prayer by Eld. O. J. Denny, from Upper Country Line Association.

3. Letters from the churches composing the Association were called for, read and contents noted in Statistical table.

4. Organized by choosing Elder C. A. Davis Moderator, W. L. Teague Clerk, and Elders O. J. Denny and S. J. Reich assistant Clerks.

5. The Moderator appointed Elders D. G. Staples and D. S. Jones to preach at the stand, in the afternoon, while the association was in session.

6. Called for Petitionary Letters. None presented.

7. Messengers and visitors from Sister Associations were invited to take seats with us, and the following were received: From Abbotts Creek, Brethren E. Sikes,——Hutchins and J. R. Garner; from Bear Creek, J. F. Burriss and Elder Dock S. Jones; from Fishers River, Elders Geo. Denny, G. O. Key and others; from Lower Country Line, J. W. Terry; from Mountain, J. M. Rector, R. F. Edwards and Elder M. B. Martin; from Mayo, Elders J. A. Fagg, G. M. Trent, J. P. Via, and others; from Silver Creek, Elder H. M. Williams; Upper Country Line, Elders O. J. Denny and D. G. Staples, and Brethren Wiley Jones, T. A. Stanfield and others; and, from White Oak, Elder Isaac Jones. Minutes were received from the following associations, to-wit: Black Creek, Contentnea, Ebenezer, Pig River, Fishers River, Lower Country

Line, Mountain, Mayo, New River, Silver Creek, Bear Creek, Kehukee, Senter, Upper Country Line and Abbotts Creek.

8. Circular Letter was called for, presented and referred to the Committee on Arrangements.

9. The Moderator appointed the following committees: T. D. Clayton, P. S. Smith and Ellis Tate, with the Moderator and Clerk, a Committee on Arrangements; J. T. Hicks, M. L. Williard and L. V. Smith, a Committee on Preaching; John R. Smith and C. Hayworth, a Committee on Finance; O. M. Bennett and J. L. Paschal, a Committee on Distribution of Minutes.

10. On motion, the association odjourned to meet on Monday morning, October 10, at 9 o'clock.

Monday Morning, October 10, 1921.

The association met according to arrangement and, after praise and prayer by Elder J. P. Via, proceeded to business.

1. Called the Roll and marked absentees.

2. Reading of Rules of Decorum was omitted.

3. Called on messengers appointed to visit Sister Associations to report. Reports were satisfactory. Those failing to attend were excused.

4. Appointed messengers to visit Sister Associations as follows: To Abbotts Creek, Elders S. J. Reich, J. G. Southern and C. A. Davis; To Bear Creek, Elder C. A. Davis and M. L. Williard; To Fishers River, Elder J. G. Southern and C. A. Sprinkle; To Lower Country Line, Elder S. J. Reich; To Mayo, Elders J. G. Southern and C. A. Davis; To Mountain, Elders S. J. Reich and C. A. Davis; To Silver Creek, Elder S. J. Reich; To Upper Country Line, Elder C. A. Davis; To White Oak, Elder S. J. Reich. To the rest of our Corresponding Associations we send minutes only.

A motion was unanimously carred authorizing any

member in the bounds of our association to represent us as messenger when visiting sister associations.

5. The Circular Letter was read and approved, and ordered that it be attached to these minutes.

6. Appointed Elder M. L. Williard to write a Circular Letter to be read at our next session.

7. The Committee on Preaching reported from time to time, and the brethren preached accordingly, as shown under "Order of Preaching."

8. Agreed not to appoint any one to preach the introductory sermon at our next session.

9. Agreed to hold our next annual session with the church at Mount Vernon, on Lexington roand four miles south of Winston-Salem, N. C., begnning on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1922.

10. The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches		$80.50
Received from frends in the congregation		10.05
Paid for Printing Minutes	$25.00	
Allowed the Clerk	10.00	
Balance given to ministers	55.55	
Totals	$90.55	$90.55

11. Ordered the Clerk to have 1,000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and among the associations with whom we correspond.

12. The following Resolutions were unanimously adopted: Resolved: That we express our appreciation by thanking the brethren, sisters and friends of this community for the generous hospitality they have manifested in caring for this association.

13. The foregoing minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to the the time and place appointed for our next

annual session. Prayer by Elder Dock S. Jones.

C. A. Davis, Mod.

W. L. Teague, Clerk.

O. J. Denny and S. J. Reich, Ast. Clerks.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

To the Ministers and Messengers that shall compose the the next sitting of the Salem association.

Dear Brethren: It seems to have been the mind of my brethren that I should again write what is called a Circular Letter, to be read and considered at our next sitting.

I thought long ago of trying to write something, but I have had no mind to do so; and, at the present, I seem to be in the same condition. But, as I trust, I realize the importance of being careful as to what I write. I feel that nothing but the grace of God can prepare His children for His service. Jesus said, "Of myself I can do nothing." Can we? Jesus said, "My Father worketh hitherto and I work." Is that not the way we work? Surely, we can only work when God moves in us by his Spirit. Then we have access to our life which dwells within.

"And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy which he had afore prepared unto glory."—Rom. 9:23. Now, it seems to me, the doctrine of grace is fully set forth in the foregoing words; and, in order that the rising generation who will, as we hope, take our place in the ranks of the church after our bodies are cold in death, may know what we now believe, we desire to pen down a few thoughts.

God having purposed to save his people from their sins by Jesus Christ as a pure and perfect sacrifice, which the prophet, made known by saying, "Behold, thy King cometh,

meek and humble, and having salvation." This salvation is applied only to the vessels of mercy, which God had afore prepared unto glory by his grace. God has ever been so wise that he knew all things, even from the beginning. God is of such power that he can save all that he wants to save, and hath saved his people with an everlasting salvation. Now and then he makes known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory; and that when they were enemies to God and to every thing that is godly. We cared nothing for God's mercy; and, yet, how graciously he has bestowed upon the vesiels of mercy the the riches of his grace. His blessings, though they come through afflictions, sicknesses, disappointments, poverty and down-sittings, will all work for our good.

Sometimes God has appeared to the unworty writer, it seems, saying, "My grace is sufficent for thee." Then all is well for a little while.

God has prepared life for all the vessels of mercy; and will, ultimately, prepare all the vessels of mercy for that life, which is now hid with Christ in God, but shall be revealed unto the vessels of mercy.

"It is mercy we need;
It is mercy we crave."

We all feel that it is not by works of righteousness which we have done; but that it is according to the purpose of God that we are saved, even while we were enemies to God. While we were in this state of enmity, God began this work in us to make us manifestly his children, making known unto us the riches of his glory, making us feel that we were neither worthy nor fit to receive the wonderful adoption of sons; and, also, to make us cry out, saying, "Oh wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?" "When I would do good, evil is present with me."

So, how can we be saved, but by the grace of God? There is no other way. Our puny works do not count with God. Our best deeds are as filthy rags.

So, fearing this letter may be too long, I must close.

Your unworthy servant,

S. J. Reich.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Oct. 6, 1921.

ORDER OF PREACHING.

Saturday Morning—Elder C. A. Davis preached the introductory sermon from Heb. 8:1.

Saturday Evening—Elder D. G. Staples preached, first, from Heb. 8:5; and, second, Elder Dock S. Jones preached from Isa. 9:6.

Saturday Night—Elder Geo. Denny preached, first, from St. John 7:46; and, second, Elder W. M. Monsees preached from Matt. 15:25.

Sunday Morning—Elder J. A. Fagg preached, first, from Acts 7:34; Elder Isaac Jones preached, second, from Titus 2:11; and, third, Elder O. J. Denny preached from John 1:1.

Sunday Evening—Elder M. B. Martin preached, first, from Song of Solomon 2:2; and, second, Elder G. O. Key preached from Isaiah 26:1.

Sunday Night—Elder J. P. Via preached, first, from John 17:1; and, second, Elder L. T. Tucker preached from Jude 1:3.

Monday Morning—Elder Geo. Denny preached, first, from Matt. 11:19; and, second, Elder Wiley C. Jones preached, but used no special text.

W. L. Teague, Clerk.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS PRESENT.

ELDERS.

G. O. Key,----------Pilot Mountain, North Carolina.
George Denny,----------Pinnacle, North Carolina.
W. A. Gourley,*----------Stokesdale, North Carolina.
J. W. Gilliam,----------Altamahaw, North Carolina.
W. C. King,----------R. 1, Union Ridge, North Carolina.
Isaac Jones,----------Maple Hill, North Carolina.
D. G. Staples,----------Greensboro, North Carolina.
Dock S. Jones,----------R. 2, Monroe, North Carolina.
J. P. Via,----------Critz, Virginia.
G. M. Trent,----------Reidsville, North Carolina.
M. B. Martin,----------Fitch, North Carolina.
F. F. Eggleton,----------Danville, Virginia.
W. M. Monsees,----------Reidsville, North Carolina.
L. T. Tucker,----------Nettle Ridge, Virginia.
H. M. Williams,----------Indian Trail, North Carolina.
Wiley C. Jones,----------Burlington, North Carolina.
O. J. Denny,----------Winston-Salem, North Carolina.
J. A. Fagg,----------Winston-Salem, North Carolina.
H. F. Hutchins,----------Spray, North Carolina.
J. G. Southern,*----------R. 4, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.
S. J. Reich,*----------R. 7, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.
M. L. Williard,*----------High Point, North Carolina.
C. A. Davis,*----------R. 1, Kernersville, North Carolina.

LICENTIATES.

J. D. Key,----------Winston-Salem, North Carolina.
T. A. Stanfield,----------R. 1, McIver, North Carolina.
John R. Smith,----------Reidsville, North Carolina.

* In our Association.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES AMONG SISTER ASSOCIATIONS.

Associations	Clerks	Postoffices	No. of Min.
Abbotts Creek	A. L. Owen,	R. 2, Salisbury, North Carolina,	20
Black Creek	Elder E. L. Cobb,	Wilson, North Carolina,	25
Bear Creek	J. W. Jones,	R. 2, Peachland, North Carolina,	30
Contentnea	Elder J. P. Tingle,	Grantsboro North Carolina,	25
Ebenezer	W. L. Carpenter,	Brightwood, Virginia,	20
Fishers River,	Elder F. P. Stone,	R. 1, Francisco, North Carolina,	25
Ketocton	Elder T. S. Dalton,	3024 Prestman Sreet, Baltimore, Md.,	24
Kehukee	Elder B. S. Cowing,	R. 2, Williamston, North Carolina,	45
Lower Country Line	J. H. Gooch,	Stem, North Carolina,	20
Little River	J. A. T. Jones,	McCullers, North Carolina,	25
Mountain	J. M. Rector,	Baywood, Virginia,	22
Mill Branch	M. Mears	Tarboro, North Carolina,	10
Mates Creek	H. S. Carter,	Coleman, Kentucky,	25
Mayo	Deacon S G. Dobyns,	Claudville, Virginia,	30
New River	Elder F. P. Branscome,	Laurel Fork, Virginia,	25
Pig River	Elder E. L. Blankenship,	Boone Mill, Virginia,	30
Smiths River	Elder J. D. Cockram,	Stuart, Virginia,	24
Staunton River	R. L. Dodson,	Ringgold, Virginia,	20
Senter	J. F. Hartzog,	Idlewild, North Carolina,	25
Upper Country Line	Elder J. W. Gilliam,	Altamahaw, North Carolina,	20
Silver Creek	T. H. Bentley,	Stanley, North Carolina,	10
White Oak	Elder Isaac Jones,	Maple Hill, North Carolina,	30
Zion	H. F. Branscome,	Cap, Virginia,	15
	Total		545

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES AMOM THE CHURCHES.

Churches	Clerks	Postoffices	No of Min.
Abbotts Creek	C. A. Hayworth,	R. 1. Kernersville, North Carolina,	50
Bunker Hill	J. H. McKaughn,	R. 1, Kernersville, North Carolina,	40
Burlington	C. T. Hudgins,	Burlington. North Carolina,	20
Cross Roads	T. D. Clayton,	Summerfield, North Carolina,	35
High Point	R. T. Stone,	R. 2, High Point, North Carolina,	75
No Creek	J. A. Forest,	R. 2, Linwood, North Carolina,	40
Saints Delight	C. R. Atkins,	Kernersville, North Carolina,	65
Sardis	T. B. Wilson,	Madison, North Carolina,	55
Winston-Salem,	W. L. Teague,	Winston-Salem, North Carolina,	60
Mount Vernon	N. J. Welch,	R. 5, Winston-Salem, North Carolina,	15
	Total		455

CHURCHES	NAMES OF MESSENGERS.	Church Meetings.	Ordained Minister	Licensed Ministers.	Rec'd by Experience	Received by Letter..	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded.	Deceased.	No. in Fellowship.	Contributions.
			Not reported.	Not reported.								
Abbotts Creek.	M. M. Bouldin,* B. C. Hayworth, P. S. Smith and J. R. Davis,*	1		1	0		0	0	2	44	8 00
Bunker Hill,...	Wesley Mabe, Charlie Shields and wallace Trent,.	4		5	0		0	0	0	37	5.00
Burlington	A. J. Tillman,* J. I. Smith* and C. T. Hudgins, ...	3		2	0		0	0	0	18	3.50
Cross Roads,....	O M. Bennett, J. L. Paschal and T. D. Clayton, ...	4		1	0		0	0	1	28	12 50
High Point,....	R. T. Stone,* W. C. Branson, S R Garner* and J. T. Hicks,....	3		4	0		2	0	0	72	12.50
Mount Vernon,	Elder J. G. Southern, B. J. Snider* and N. J. Welch,*	3		0	0		0	0	0	6	3 00
No Creek,.....	J. A. Forest,* John Nance and D. D. Bennett,..	4		2	0		0	1	0	36	5.00
Saints Delight,	L. V. Smith, J. E. Williard.† Howard Williard, Henry Williard,	2		2	0		0	0	0	59	10 00
Sardis, ...	S. A. Goolsby, T. B. Wilson,† J. R Neal† and A. F. Neal,†	4		0	0		0	0	3	48	6.00
Winston-Salem.	C. A. Sprinkle, Joseph C. Smith and Ellis Tate,....	4		4	1		1	1	0	57	15.00
	* † Absentees. Totals			21	1	00	3	2	6	405	$80 50

MINUTES

OF THE

13th Annual Session

OF THE

SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

THE CHURCH AT MOUNT VERNON

FORSYTH COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

Saturday, Sunday and Monday

OCTOBER 7, 8 and 9, 1922

Elder P. W. Williard, Moderator, High Point, N. C.

W. L. Teague, Clerk, ... Winston-Salem, N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS

Saturday Morning, October 7, 1922

1. Met in the church house and sang a few songs, then prayer by Elder O. J. Denny, from Upper Country Line Association, after which Elder R. H. Pittman, from the Ebenezer Asssciation, preached the introductory sermon.

Text, Titus 2- 1: But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine, etc.

2. Then after an intermission of one hour the messengers met in the house and the association was opened with prayer by Elder C. W. Miller from Ketockton Association.

3. Letters from the churches composing the association were called for, read, and contents will be noted in the statistical table.

4. Then organized by choosing Elder P. W. Williard Moderator, and W. L. Teague Clerk, and Elders O. J. Denny and S. J. Reich Asst. Clerks.

5. The Moderator appointed Elders E. C. Oaks and J. P. Gardner to go to the stand and preach to the people.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None presented.

7. Messengers and visitors from sister associations were invited to take seats with us. The following were received:

Abbotts Creek–Elder Samuel McMillan, Brethren A. L. Owen, C. E. Gallimore, W. M. Mabe, J. B. Hulin, and others. Bear Creek—Brother J. F. Burris. Black Creek—Minutes. Contentnea — Minutes. Ebenezer — Elder R. H. Pittman. Fishers River—Elders G. O. Key, J. C. Dunbar, Bro. C. W. Stone and others. Kehukee— Minutes. Ketockton – Elder C. W. Miller. Lower Country Line—Elder E. C. Oaks and Brethren C. C. Heit and J. W. Terry. Mountain—Elder J. D. Vass, Brethren Tom Fender and R. F. Edwards. Mayo — Elder J. A. Fagg, Brother J. E. Hutchins and others.

Senter — Minutes. Upper C. Line — Elders O. J. Denny, W. C. Jones, Brethren J. W. Delancy and J. H. Dye. Zion – Elders J. P. Gardner, J. R. Cruise and Bro. H. F. Branscom.

Elder E. W. Harlan of Connersville, Ind., and a member of White-Water Association, was gladly received as a visitor to our association.

Minutes were received from the following associations: Abbotts Creek, Bear Creek, Black Creek, Contentnea, Kehukee, Ebenezer, Lower C. Line, Mayo, Senter, Upper C. Line and Zion.

8. Circular Letter called for, presented and referred to the Committee on Arrangements.

9. The moderator appointed the following committees:
On Arrangements — Brethren E. J. Hester, Luther Masten and D. M. Vance to act with Moderator and Clerk.
On Preaching — Brethren R. W. C. Tate, H. B. Williard and G. L. Ziglar.
On Finance— Elder J. G. Southern and Bro. C. F. Shields.
On Distribution of Minutes—Brethren W. G. Pope and W. H. Combs.

10. On motion, adjourned to meet Monday morning at at 9 o'clock.

Monday Morning, October 9, 1922

The association met according to arrangements, and after prayer by Elder A. G. Morton, proceeded to business.

1. Called the roll and marked absentees.

2. Read the rules of Decorum.

3. Messengers appointed at our last session to visit sister associations were called on for reports. Reports were satisfactory. Those failing to attend were excused.

4. Appointed messengers as follows to visit sister associations: Abbotts Creek—Elders S. J. Reich and P. W. Williard. Bear Creek—Elders C. A. Davis and S. J. Reich.

Fishers River–Elder C. A. Davis. Lower C. Line–Minutes. Mountain—Elders C. A. Davis, P. W. Williard, A. J. Reich, Bro. Geo. H. Williard. Silver Creek — Elder S. J. Reich. Upper C. Line — Elders M. L. Williard, P. W. Williard, C. A. Davis. White Oak – Minutes. Mayo – Bro. G. L. Ziglar.

5. The Circular Letter was read and approved, and ordered attached to these minutes.

6. Brother D. M. Vance was chosen to write the Cirular Letter to be read at our next annual session.

At this time in our proceedings, the attention of the association was called to the letter from the church at Burlington, N. C., asking the association to change the time of holding our annual session to Saturday and 2nd Sunday in September. The matter was discussed more or less, after which the association voted against changing the time.

7. Committee on Preaching reported from time to time, and the brethren preached accordingly, as shown under "Order of Preaching."

8. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at Abbotts Creek, Davidson Co., about 7 miles N. West from High Point, N. C., beginning on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1923.

9. Committee on Finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$73.75	
Received from friends	13.00	
Allowed for printing minutes and postage		$25.00
Allowed Clerk		10.00
Balance given to visiting ministers		51.75
Totals	86.75	86.75

10. Ordered that the clerk have 1000 copies of these minutes printed and dristributed among the churches and associations with whom we correspond.

11. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we express to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community our appreciation for their many acts of kindness and the generous hospitality they manifested in entertaining this association.

12. The above minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Prayer by Elder G. O. Key.

ELD. P. W. WILLIARD, Moderator.

W. L. TEAGUE, Clerk.

ELD. O. J. DENNY
ELD. S. J. REICH } Assistant Clerks.

CIRCULAR LETTER

To the Brethren and sisters of the Salem Association, and to the Household of Faith:

As I was appointed to write the Circular Letter, I will try as the Lord may direct. In this we could not think of anything greater than God's love for his people. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."—John 3 : 16. Here we see that all the believers are embraced in the most tender and affectionate manner. Because it is the believer that knows without mercy he must perish. They are the ones that have had the distressing fears of perishing. They so earnestly implore God for mercy, and they have often made the sad decision that they were lost. So it is those that Christ came to seek and to save, and it is those that Christ said should not perish, and gives the greatest cause, for God so loved them that He gave His only Son that they should not perish. This love was with God before we loved Him. This is good reason to believe that it will never be taken away. "Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another." I John 4 : 11. There are two great causes why we should love and continue to love the brethren; one is because God has loved us, and the other is that they are the objects of God's love.

Though we may see something in their temper and conduct that is disagreable, we can see many such like things in ourselves. We are taught to be meek and consider ourselves. It is very necessary that we remember self, that we carry about a sinful body of weak flesh.

For this reason Christ said, "Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation, the spirit truly is willing, but the flesh is weak."

The children of God often weep over their weakness, but "God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty." I Corinthians 1 : 27. So, brethren, let us walk in meekness and in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. "For if ye bite and devour our another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another." Gallations 5 : 15. This Apostle spake in Acts 20 of grievous wolves entering in, not sparing the flock. But here he warns the flock that they should not act the part of wolves to one another, having reference to questions that come up, especially among the ministers. When these disputes come up, take heed, be careful what we say and how we act, speaking hastily and in an unbrotherly manner. In so doing, we are liable to destroy love aud fellowship. The first thing we do we should come together in brotherly love and talk over our differences and thoroughly understand each other, and the differences might not be as great as we thought.

So, as much as in us is, avoid giving offence, for that wise man Solomon, said,"A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong

city." Our chief concern should be to comfort God's people. Lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees, remembering that our humble Savior recieves our acts of kindness done unto His people as done unto Him. May God bless us all, and keep us humble.

M. L. Williard.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Elder R. H. Pittman, from Ebenezer Association, preached the introductory sermon. Text (Titus 2 - 1) :"But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine," etc.

SATURDAY EVENING

Elder E. C. Oaks, from Lower Country Line Assciation.
Text: Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. Rom, 13 : 1.

Elder J. P. Gardner; Text, Luke 1 : 50 :
And his mercy is on them that fear him from generation to generation.

SUNDAY MORNING

Elder W. C. Jones offered prayer.

Elder C. W. Miller, from Ketockton Association.
Text (Job 14 : 14) If a man die, shall he live again ?

Elder J. D. Vass; Text, I Corinthians 13 : 1 :
Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, etc,

SUNDAY EVENING

Elder Samuel McMillon; Text, Gen. 3 : 9 - 11 :
And the Lord God called unto Adam and said, Where art thou? etc.

Eld. E. W. Harlan, from White Water Asso. John 6:45 :
It is written in the prophets, and they shall be all taught of God,

Elder G. O. Key; Text, Matthew 11 : 3 :
Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?

MONDAY MORNING

Elder J. R. Cruise; Text, I Corinthians 2 : 2 :
I determined not to know anything among you save Jesus Christ and him crucified.

Elder J. C. Dunbar; Text, Matthew 7 : 18 :
A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

NAMES & ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS PRESENT

ELDERS

C. W. Miller.....Washington, D. C.
R. H. Pittman..... Luray, Va.
J. D. Vass.....Galax, Va.
J. P. Gardner.....Cap, Va.
E. W. Harlan.....Connersville, Ind.
J. R. Cruise.....Fancy Gap, Va.
W. C. Jones..... Burlington, N. C.
E. C Oaks.....Semora, N. C.
Samuel McMillon..... High Point, N. C.
J. C. Dunbar..... Mount Airy, N. C.
W. C Stone..... Mount Airy, N. C.
G. O. Key..... Pilot Mountain, N. C.
A. G. Morton.....High Point, N. C.
O. J. Denny.....Winston-Salem, N. C.
J. A. Fagg..... Winston-Salem, N. C.
*P. W. Williard..... High Point, N. C.
*M. L. Williard.....High Point, N. C.
*C. A. Davis..... Kernersville, N. C.
*J. G. Southern..... R. 5, Winston-Salem, N. C.
*S. J. Reich.... R. 7, Winston-Salem, N. C.

LICENTIATES

J. W. Delancy..... Reidsville, N. C.
J. D. Key..... Winston-Salem, N. C.

*In our association.

ORDER OF ASSOCIATIONS HELD

1st	Winston-Salem, Forsyth Co., N. C.				May 1910
2nd	Saints Delight,	,,	,,	,,	May 1911
3rd	Cross Roads, Guilford	,,	,,		Oct. 1912
4th	Abbotts Creek, Davidson	,,	,,		,, 1913
5th	Burlington, Alamance	,,	,,		,, 1914
6th	High Point, Guilford	,,	,,		,, 1915
7th	Sardis, Rockingham	,,	,,		,, 1916
8th	Bunker Hill, Forsyth	,,	,,		,, 1917
9th	No Creek, Davie	,,	,,		,, 1918
10th	Winston-Salem, Forsyth	,,	,,		,, 1919
11th	Saints Delight,	,,	,,	,,	,, 1920
12th	Cross Roads, Guilford	,,	,,		,, 1921
13th	Mount Vernon, Forsyth	,,	,,		,, 1922
14th	Abbotts Creek,	,,	,,	,, (appointed)	,, 1923

Distribution of Minutes among the Churches

Churches	Clerks	Post Offices	No. Min.
Abbotts Creek	C. A. Hayworth	R. 1, Kernersville, N. C.	55
Bunker Hill	J. H. McKaughn	R. 1, Kernersville, N. C.	40
Burlington	C. T. Hudgins	Burlington, N C	20
Cross Roads	T. D. Clayton	Summerfield, N. C.	30
High Point	R. T. Stone	R. 2, High Point, N. C.	75
No Creek	J. A. Forest	R. 2. Linwood, N. C.	40
Saints Delight	C. R. Atkins	Kernersville, N. C.	65
Sardis	T. B. Wilson	Madison, N. C.	50
Winston-Salem	W. L. Teague	Winston-Salem, N C.	70
Mount Vernon	J. G. Southern	R. 4, Winston-Salem, N. C.	10
		TOTAL	455

Distribution of Minutes among Sister Associations

Association	Clerk	Post Office	No. Min.
Abbotts Creek	A. L. Owen	R. 2 Salisbury, N. C.	20
Black Creek	Eld. E. L. Cobb	Wilson, N. C.	25
Bear Creek	J. W. Jones	R. 2 Peachland, N. C.	30
Contentnea	Eld. J. P. Tingle	Grantsboro, N. C.	25
Ebenezer	W. L. Carpenter	Brightwood, Va.	20
Fishers River	Eld. F. P. Stone	R. 1 Francisco, N. C	25
Ketocton	Eld. T. S. Dalton 3024	Prestman St. Baltimore, Md.	24
Kehukee	Eld. B. S. Cowing	R. 2 Williamston, N. C.	45
Lower Cty. Line	J. H. Gooch	Stem, N. C.	20
Little River	J. A. T. Jones	McCullers, N. C.	25
Mountain	J. M. Rector	Baywood, Va.	22
Mill Branch	M. Mears	Tarboro, N. C.	10
Mates Creek	H. S. Carter	Coleman, Kentucky	25
Mayo	Dea. S. G. Dobyns	Claudville, Va.	30
New River	Eld. J. M. Dickerson	Laurel Fork, Va.	25
Pig River	Eld. E.L Blankenship	Boone Mill, Va.	30
Smiths River	Eld. J. D. Cockram	Stuart, Va.	24
Staunton River	R L. Dodson	Ringgold, Va.	20
Senter	J. F. Hartzog	Idlewild, N. C.	25
Upper Cty. Line	Eld. J. W. Gilliam	Altamahaw, N. C.	20
Silver Creek	T. H. Bentley	Stanley, N. C.	10
White Oak	Eld. Isaac Jones	Maple Hill, N. C.	30
Zion	H. F. Branscome	Cap, Va.	15
		TOTAL	545

Statistical Report of Salem Association, 1922

Churches	Names of Messengers	Church Meetings	Received by Experience	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. in Fellowship	Contribution
Abbotts Creek	M.M.Bouldin*, P.S.Smith, R.D.Pope, C.A.Hayworth*	1	6	3	0	0	0	0	53	$11.50
Bunker Hill	C.F.Shields, W. Trent, J.H.McKaughan*, D.M.Vance	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	35	6.00
Burlington	J. W. Turner*, C. T. Hudgins, A. J, Tillman*	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	3.00
Cross Roads	O.M.Bennett*, J.L.Paschal, T.D.Clayton, J.E.Forbes	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	27	3.00
High Point	Jones Garner,* R.F.Stone*, J.R.Peel, N.G.Pope*	3	3	0	o	1	0	2	72	7.50
Mount Vernon	J G. Southern	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	3.00
No Creek	D D.Bennett*, S.A.Bailey, J.A.Forrest, J.H.Deadman	4	3	0	0	0	0	1	38	5.75
Saints Delight	Eli Hester, H.Z.Williard, (F.S.Smith*,) L.L.Smith	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	58	8.00
Sardis	W. H. Comer*, O. F. Neal*, J. R. Neal*	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	46	6.00
Winston-Salem	L, H. Mastin, G. L. Ziglar, R. W. C. Tate	4	3	6	0	0	0	1	65	20.00
	*Absentees.									
	TOTALS		16	9	o	5	o	10	415	$73.75

MINUTES

OF THE

14th Annual Session

OF THE

SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

THE CHURCH AT ABBOTTS CREEK

DAVIDSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

Saturday, Sunday and Monday

October 13, 14 and 15, 1923

Elder P. W. Williard, Moderator, High Point, N. C.
W. L. Teague, Clerk, ... Winston-Salem, N. C

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PROCEEDINGS

Saturday Morning, October 13, 1923

1. Met at the stand on the church ground and sang a few hymns, then prayer by Elder P. W. Williard, after which Elder P. W. Williard preached the introductory sermon. Text: II Tim. 1 : 9.

2. Intermission of one hour, then the messengers met in the church-house and the association opened with prayer by Elder G. O. Key from Fishers River Association.

3. Letters from the churches composing the association were called for, received and contents noted in statistical table.

4. Then organized by choosing Elder P. W. Williard Moderator, W. L. Teague Clerk, Elder S. J. Reich Assistiant Clerk.

5. The moderator appointed Elders J. W. Tuttle and J. A. Herndon to go to the stand and preach to the people.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None presented.

7. Correspondents and visitors from sister associations were invited to seats. The following were received and seated:

Abbotts Creek — Breth. L. A. Wright, Faroah Bullock, Lee Owen, Elder Samuel McMillon and others.

Fishers River—Elder G. O. Key, Brethren J. D. Key, A. Q. Hunter and Green Arrington.

Lower Country Line—Elder J. A. Herndon, J. W. Terry and J. E. Monsees.

Mountain—Z. L. Osborne and F. M. Osborne.

Mayo—Elders J. A. Fagg, D. G. Staples, and Brother J. E. Hutchins.

Zion—Elder J. P. Gardner and Brother H. F. Branscom.

A motion was made and duly seconded that we not seat messengers from Upper Country Line and Bear Creek Associations at this session, on account of disorder existing in them. The motion was carried by a rising vote.

Minutes were received from the following associations:

Abbotts Creek, Black Creek, Bear Creek, Contentnea, Ebenezer, Ketocton, Kehukee, Lower Ct'y Line, Mountain, Mayo, Pig River, Smiths River, Senter, Silver Creek, Zion and Upper Country Line.

8. The Circular Letter written by Deacon D. M. Vance was read and referred to the committee on arrangements.

9. The moderator appointed the following committees:

On arrangements—G. L. Ziglar, Ellis Tate, D. M. Vance with moderator and clerk.

On preaching—B. C. Hayworth, E. J. Clinard, Wesley Mabe.

On finance—J. R. Smith, J. R. Davis, Bolin King.

On distribution of minutes—O. M. Bennett, J. H. Nance.

10. On motion, adjourned to meet Monday Morning at 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Elder P. W. Williard.

Monday Morning, October 15, 1923

The association met according to previous arrangements, and services opened with prayer by Elder L. J. Gresham from Saint Jo, Texas.

1. Called the roll of messengers and marked those absent.

2. Read Rules of Decorum.

3. The matter of reconsidering the action the association took Saturday in regard to the Upper Country Line Association in not seating their messengers was put before the association for further consideration. A motion was

made and seconded that we let the action of the association stand as recorded Saturday in regard to the Upper Country Line Association. A rising vote was taken, six voting for and ten against the action, which gave a majority in favor of seating the messengers from Upper Country Line Asso.

The messengers: Elders J. W. Gilliam, W. C. Jones, Brethren J. H. Combs and J. M. Dennis. Visitors: Brother E. R. Harris and others.

3½. Correspondents appointed at our last association to visit sister associations were called on for reports. Reports were made by those who attended, and those who did not attend were excused.

4. Appointed correspondents as follows to visit sister association.

Abbotts Creek—Elders S. J. Reich and C. A. Davis.

Fishers River—Elders S. J. Reich and C. A. Davis.

Lower Country Line—Elders P. W. Williard, C. A. Davis and S. J. Reich.

Mountain—Elders S. J. Reich, P. W. Williard, Bro. G. H. Williard.

Upper Country Line—Elders S. J. Reich, C. A. Davis.

Mayo–Elders P. W. Williard, M. L. Williard, J. T. Hicks.

5. The Circular Letter was read and approved, and ordered published in the minutes.

6. Brother Geo. H. Williard was chosen to write the next Circular Letter.

7. Committee on preaching reported from time to time, and the brethren preached accordingly, as shown under "Order of Preaching."

8. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at Burlington, N. C., beginning on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1924.

9. Committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches		$ 89.50
Received from friends		15.75
Allowed for printing minutes and postage	$ 25.00	
Allowed clerk	10.00	
Gave our moderator	11.00	
Balance given to visiting ministers	59.25	
Totals	$105.25	$105.25

10. Ordered the clerk to have 1000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among the churches and asociations with whom we correspond.

10½. Ordered clerk to open correspondence with Tennesse and Nolachucky Association of Primitive Baptists, as requested by them, and send them a file of minutes.

11. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That, we return thanks to God for his continued mercies and blessings and to the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality during this association.

12. The minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Prayer by Elder P. W. Williard.

Signed: P. W. Williard, Moderator
W. L. Teague, Clerk
S. J. Reich, Assistant Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Elder P. W. Williard, Moderator, preached the introductory sermon.

Text: II Tim. 1 : 9—Who hath saved us and called us with an holy calling, etc.

SATURDAY EVENING

Elder J. A. Herndon; Text, St. John 10 : 27, 28.

Elder J. W. Tuttle; Text, Titus 3 : 5.

SUNDAY MORNING

Singing, then prayer and preaching by Elder L. J. Gresham, from Saint Jo, Texas; Text, Luke 14 : 46.

Elder J. A. Fagg; Text, St. John 14 : 27.

SUNDAY EVENING

Elder Samuel McMillon; Text, I Cor. 15 : 21.

Elder G. O. Key; Text, I John 4 : 1.

Elder J. W. Tuttle; failed to get text.

MONDAY MORNING

Elder J. P. Gardner; failed to get text.

Elder Lewis Purdle; failed to get text.

Elder J. A. Herndon; not present.

Elder W. C. Jones; failed to get text.

Elder C. A. Davis; no special text.

REMARKS

While the congregation was singing the closing hymn, Mr. C. L. Kanoy came forward confessing his sins and unworthiness, and was joyfully received into the fellowship of the Abbotts Creek Church, subject to baptism first Sunday in November. —*Clerk.*

CIRCULAR LETTER

Having been appointed to write a Circular Letter for our next minutes, though feeling incompetent to write anything of interest, I shall

try to comply with the order of the association by calling your attention to St. Math. 18 : 7.

Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!

Let us have peace and love, looking over one another for good and not evil. Love is the golden chain that binds our hearts together. I refer you to I John 3 : 14. "We know that we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death." How can we ever claim a hope if we do not love each other? and for Christ's sake do not let us wrangle and dispute over things of no profit. If we see things a little different, let us toke the scripture for our counsel and try to ask God to give us understanding. But we are so weak and sinful He may not hear our petition, for we do know we have tried to ask Him to pardon our sins time and again and He gave us no comort untill it pleased Him to do so, in His own good time. This was good news that we will never be able in life to tell the half to our comfort.

Let us be content with God's ways for He is God and we weak frail mortals should not feel worthy of His notice unless He for Christ's sake blesses us.

May we be united in bonds of love is the desire of Your unworthy brother,

Kernersville, N .C. D. M. Vance.

NAMES & ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS PRESENT

ELDERS

J. L. Gresham ..... Saint Jo, Texas
J. A. Herndon ..... Durham, N. C.
J. W. Tuttle ..... Meadows, N. C.
J. A. Fagg ..... Winston-Salem, N. C.
Samuel McMillon ..... High Point, N. C.
G. O. Key ..... Pilot Mountain, N. C.
Lewis Purdle ..... Kernersville, N. C.
W. C. Jones ..... Burlington, N. C.
O. J. Denny ..... Winston-Salem, N. C.
W. F. Pruitt ..... R. 2, Ruffin, N. C.
J. W. Gilliam ..... R. 1, Altamahaw, N. C.
T. A. Stanfield ..... R. 1, McIver, N. C.
Dan Helms ..... Bassetts, Va.
F. F. Eggleton ..... Ruffin, N. C.
D. S. Jones ..... Unionville, N. C.
D. G. Staples ..... Greensboro, N. C.
J. P. Gardner ..... Cap, Va.
*P. W. Williard ..... High Point, N. C.
*M. L. Williard ..... High Point, N. C.
*A. G. Morton ..... High Point, N. C.
*C. A. Davis ..... R. 1, Kernersville, N. C.
*J. G. Southern ..... R. 5, Winston-Salem, N. C.
*S. J. Reich ..... R. 7, Winston-Salem, N. C.

*In our association.

LICENTIATES

J. D. Key ..... Winston-Salem, N. C.
John R. Smith ..... Reidsville, N. C.

Distribution of Minutes among the Churches

Church	Clerks	Post Office	No. Min.
Abbotts Creek	C. A. Hayworth	Kernersville, N. C., R. 1	65
Bunker Hill	J. H. McKaughn	Kernersville, N. C., R. 1	40
Burlington	C. T. Hudgins	Burlington, N. C.	25
Cross Roads	T. D. Clayton	Summerfield, N. C.	35
High Point	R. T. Stone	Hight Point, N. C., R. 2	85
No Creek	J. A. Forest	Linwood, N. C., R. 2	45
Saints Delight	C. R. Atkins	Kernersville, N. C.	70
Sardis	T. B. Wilson	Madison, N. C.	50
Winston-Salem	W. L. Teague	Winston-Salem, N. C.	75
Mount Vernon	J. G. Southern	Winston-Salem, N. C., R. 4	15
		TOTAL	505

Distribution of Minutes among Sister Associations

Association	Clerk	Post Office	No. Min.
Abbotts Creek	A. L. Owen	Salisbury, N. C., R 2	20
Black Creek	Eld. E. L. Cobb	Wilson, N. C.	25
Contentnea	Eld. J. P. Tingle	Grantsboro, N. C.	25
Ebenezer	W. L. Carpenter	Brightwood, Va.	15
Fishers River	Eld. F. P. Stone	Francisco, N. C.	20
Ketocton	Eld. T. S. Dalton. 3024	Prestman St. Baltimore, Md.	20
Kehukee	Eld. B S. Cowing	Williamston, N. C., R 2	40
Lower Cty. Line	J. H. Gooch	Stem, N. C	20
Little River	J. A. T. Jones	McCullers, N. C.	25
Mountain	J. M. Rector	Baywood, Va.	20
Mill Branch	M. Mears	Tarboro, N. C.	10
Mates Creek	H. S. Carter	Coleman, Kentucky	25
Mayo	Dea. S. G. Dobyns	Claudville, Va.	30
New River	Eld. J. M. Dickerson	Laurel Fork, Va.	25
Pig River	Eld. B. L Blankenship	Boone Mill, Va	30
Smiths River	Eld. J. D. Cockram	Stuart, Va	20
Staunton River	R. L. Dodson	Ringgold, Va.	20
Senter	J. F. Hartzog	Idlewild, N. C.	15
Silver Creek	T. H. Bentley	Stanley, N. C.	10
Upper Cty. Line	Eld. J. W. Gilliam	Altamahaw, N. C.	20
White Oak	Eld. Isaac Jones	Maple Hill, N. C.	30
Zion	H. F. Branscom	Fancy Gap, Va.	15
Tennessee & Nolachucky	Jonas Adams	Sevierville, Tenn.	15
		TOTAL	495

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Names of Messengers	Sun. of Church Meetings	Baptized	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. in Fellowship	Contribution
Abbotts Creek	E J Clinard, B C Hayworth, J R Davis, M L Williard	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	$23.75
Bunker Hill	Wesley Mabe, Wallace Trent, D M Vance, Clyd Parish	4	0	1	0	2	0	2	31	8.00
Burlington	*A J Tillman, C T Hudgins, J W Turner	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	3.00
Cross Roads	*S P Knight, *D A Obryant, *O M Bennett	3	2	0	0	1	0	1	27	4.00
High Point	*Bolin King, R A Strickland, Jones Garner, *T R Hedrick	3	4	0	0	0	0	2	74	9.50
Mount Vernon	*Elder J G Southern	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3.00
No Creek	John Nance, *Albert Goley, *Thomas Sofley	4	2	3	0	0	1	0	40	5.00
Saints Delight	J R Smith, G Williard, F Smith, A E Motsinger, J E Williard	2	0	1	0	0	0	4	55	7.00
Sardis	*J R Neal, *S A Goolsby, *T B Wilson	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	43	6.25
Winston-Salem	*G L Ziglar, *Jos C Smith, Ellis Tate, W L Teague	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	64	20.00
	*Absentees									
	TOTALS..		8	6	0	3	1	10	409	89.50

MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With the Church at

BURLINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY, SUNDAY and MONDAY

October 11th, 12th and 13th, 1924

W. L. Teague, Moderator ----------Winston-Salem, N. C.

J. H. McKaughan, Clerk ----------Kernersville, N. C. R. 1.

PROCEEDINGS

Saturday, October 11th, 1924

1. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder P. G. Lester from New River Association. Text Romans 8:1.

2. After an intermission of one hour, the messengers met in the church house where the association opened with praise and prayer by Elder C. B. Hall, from Lower Country Line Association.

3. Letters from the churches composing this Association were called for, presented, read and contents noted in statistical table.

4. Elder P. W. Williard, the former Moderator, resigned and his resignation was accepted by the Association.

5. Then organized by choosing Brother W. L. Teague moderator and Brother J. H. McKanghan clerk and Elder S. J. Reich, Assistant Clerk.

6. The Moderator appointed Elders H. F. Hutchings and W. M. Monsees to go to the stand and preach to the people.

7. Called for petitionary letters. None presented.

8. Corespondents and visitors from sister associations were invited to seats. The following were seated:

Abbott's Creek—Brother R. F. Strange, W. M. Mabe, H. W. Johnson, C. B. Owen, Elder Samuel McMillon and others.

Fisher's River—Brother J. D. Key.

Little River—Brother G. H. Roberts.

Yellow River—Elder Lee Hanks.

Lower Country Line—Elders C. B. Hall, T. Y. Monk,

Brethren H. E. Saterfield, J. W. Terry and others.

Mountain—Minutes.

Mayo—Elders S. H. Reid, H. F. Hutchins, Bro, J. H. Smith and others.

New River—Elder P. G. Lester.

Upper Country Line—Elders J. W. Gilliam, W. C. Jones, B. F. McKinney, Brethren E. R. Harris, W. G. Dix, T. W. Rice and others.

When Upper Country Line was called there was a motion to not seat ministers from Upper Country Line.

The vote taken was 12 for seating and 5 against

9. Inasmuch as High Point church had dismissed their disorder it was moved and seconded and unanimously carried to receive their messengers and letter.

10. Corresponding minutes received from the following Associations:

Abbotts Creek, Contentnea, Lower Country Line, New River, Senter, White Oak, Tennessee. Ebenezer, Black Creek, Kehukee, Mayo, Pigg River, Upper Counry Line, Zion, Nolachucky, Ketocton.

11. Circular letter called for. Brother George H. Williard was appointed to write it, but the Lord called him home before it was written by him.

12. The moderator appointed the following committees:

Arrangement—Brethren S. L. Spach, D. R. Bennett and Elder J. G. Southern with the moderator and clerk.

Preaching—Brethren G. L. Zigler, J. G. Matthews and S. P. Knight.

Finance—Brethren J. E. Williard, J. W. Turner.

13. Distribution of corresponding minutes—Brethren J. T. Hicks, J. R. Davis.

14. On motion, adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Elder B. F. McKinney.

Monday Morning, October 13, 1924

The Association met according to previous arrangements, and opened with prayer by Elder Wiley C. Jones, from Upper Country Line Association.

1. Called the roll of churches and marked messengers absent.

2. Omitted reading rules of decorum.

3. Called for the report of committee on arrangements. Their report follows:

4. Correspondents appointed at our last Association to visit sister associations were called on for reports. Reports were made by those who attended, and those who did not attend were excused.

Appointed correspondents as follows, to visit sister associations:

Abbott's Creek—Elders P. W. Williard, J. G. Southern and S. J. Reich.

Fisher's River—Brethren G. L. Zigler, J. T. Hicks.

Lower Country Line—Elders P. W. Williard, S. J. Reich, J. G. Southern, Brethren W. L. Teague, G. L. Zigler.

Mountain—Minutes.

Mayo—Elder S. J. Reich and Brother G. L. Ziglar.

Upper Country Line—Elders J. G. Southern, S. J. Reich, P. W. Williard and Brethren G. L. Ziglar and W. L. Teague.

5. Agreed to not appoint anyone to write a circular letter for our next Association.

6. Committee on preaching reported from time to time and the brethren preached accordingly as shown under "order of preaching."

7. We your committee on arrangements, beg leave to present the following declarations for your consideration and recommend their adoption.

Inasmuch as our sister church at High Point had for some months accepted the services of W. F. Pruitt, though as she claims a misunderstanding of his standing as a minister and a member but have dismissed him upon hearing of his disorder, her messengers were seated with us, and whereas the Salem Association desires to stand in accord with her sister corresponding

associations while in session with the church at Burlington, N. C., October 13, 1924, do declare her withdrawal from the disorder of J. R. Wilson, W. F. Pruitt, T. J. Washburn and others, and all achurches and associations, that in any way hold or affiliate with the said disorder.

Committee.

D. D. BENNETT,
ELD. J. G. SOUTHERN,
L. L. SPACH,
W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator.
J. H. McKANGHAN, Clerk.

8. The association voted unanimously to adopt the above report as recommended by the committee.

9. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at High Point, N. C., beginning on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1925.

10. Committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$68.75
Received from friends	3.00
Total	$71.75
Allowed for printing minutes and postage on same	$25.00
Allowed Clerk for his service	10.00
Balance given to visiting ministers	36.75
Total	$71.75

11. Ordered that the clerk have 1,000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among our churches and the association with whom we correspond.

12. The following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved that we return thanks to God for His con-

tinued mercies and blessings and to the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality during this association and also to Mr. Morton for the use of the building in which the association was held and Dr. J. R. Parker for the lumber to make seats.

These minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Closed with prayer by Elder P. G. Lester.

W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator.
J. H. McKANGHAN, Clerk.
Eld. S. J. REICH, Ast. Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Elder P. G. Lester preached the introductory sermon.

Text, Romans 8:1—There is therefore, now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

Saturday Evening

Elder W. M. Monsees: Text, Isaiah 61:1. The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me.

Elder H. F. Hutchins, Text Isaiah 55:1 Ho! everyone that thirst etc.

Elder B. M. McKinney: no special text.

Saturday Night

Elder J. P. Johnson, text, 127 Psalm, Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it.

Elder S. H. Reid, Text, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.

Sunday Morning

Singing, then prayer and preaching by Elder C. B. Hall. Text, Rev. 21:9, Come hither and I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

Elder Samuel McMillon, Text, Ex. 3:3, Moses said I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.

Elder W. C. King, Text, Isaiah 54:13, and all thy children shall be taught of the Lord, etc.

Elder O. J. Denny: Text, John 3:14, As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the son of man be lifted up.

Sunday Evening

Elder B. F. McKinney: Text, Gen. 45:28. It is enough, Joseph, my son is still alive, etc.

Elder P. G. Lester: Text, Psalm 40:1 I waited patiently for the Lord; and He inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

Sunday Night

Slder T. Y. Monk: Text, What is that in thine hand, a rod.

Elder C. B. Hall: Text, 1 John 5:1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: etc.

Monday Morning

Elder P. W. Williard: Text, Math. 21:5, Behold thy King cometeh unto thee, meek, etc.

Elder J. W.. Gilliam: Text, Psalm 46:4 There is a river the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, etc.

Distribution of Minutes Among Sister Associations

Abbott's Creek, C. A. Hayworth, Kernersville, N. C. R. 1 ---65
Bunker Hill, J. H. McKanghan, Kernersville, N. C. R. 1-----40
Burlington, Elder W. C. Jones, Burlington, N. C.----------25
Cross Roads, T. D. Clanton, Summerfield, N. C.----------35
High Point, R. T. Stone, High Point, N. C. R. 2 ----------85

No Creek, J. A. Forrest, Linwood, N. C. R 2 ---------- 45
Saints Delight, H. C. Willard, Winston Salem, R 5 ---------- 70
Sardis, T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C. ---------- 50
Winston-Salem, W. L Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C. ---------- 75
Mount Vernon, J. G. Southern, Winston-Salem, R. 4 ---------- 15

Total ---------- 505

Association	Clerk	Postoffice	No. Minutes
Abbott's Creek	A. L. Owen	Salisbury, N. C. R 2	20
Black Creek	Eld. E. L. Cobb	Wilson, N. C.	25
Contentnea	Eld. J. P. Tingle	Grantsboro, N. C.	25
Ebenezer	W. L. Carpenter	Brightwood, Va.	15
Fishers River	Elder F. P. Stone	Francisco, N. C.	20
Keetocton	Eld. T. S. Dalton	302 4 Prestman St., Baltimore Md	20
Kehukee	Eld. B. S. Cowing	Williamston, N. C. R 2	40
Lower Country Line	J. H. Gooch	Stem, N. C.	20
Little River	J. A. T. Jones	McCullers, N. C.	25
Mountain	J. M. Rector	Baywood, Va.	20
Mill Branch	M. Mears	Tarboro, N. C.	10
Mates Creek	H. S. Carter	Coleman, Kentucky	25
Mayo	Dea. S. G. Dobyns	Claudville, Va.	30
Newe River	Eld. J. M. Dickerson	Laurel Fork, Va.	25
Pig River	Eld. E. L. Blankenship	Boone Mill Va.	30
Smith's River	Eld. J. D. Cockram	Stuart. Va.	20
Staunton River	R. L. Dodson	Ringgold, Va.	
Senter	J. F. Hartzog	Idlewild, N. C.	15
Silver Creek	T. H. Bentley	Stanley, N. C.	10
Upper Country Line	Eld. J. W Gilliam	Altamahaw, N. C.	20
White Oak	Eld. Isaac Jones	Maple Hill, N. C.	30
Zion	H. F. Branscom	Fancy Gap, Va.	15
Tennessee & Nolachucky	Jonas Adams	Sevierville, Tenn	15

Total ---------- 495

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAME OF MESSENGERS	Sun. of Ch. Meetings	Rec'd. by E. and B.	Rec'd by Letter	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Restored	No. in Fellowship	Contributions
Abbott's Creek	Brethren E. J. Clinard, J. R. Davis, Elder M. L. Willard	1	7	--	--	--	--	--	62	$10.00
Bunker Hill	Brethren J. G. Matthews, Wesley Mabe, Cornelius Nelson	4	5	--	--	--	--	--	35	7.00
Burlington	Brethren A. J. Tillman, J. I. Smith, J. W. Turner	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	16	3.00
Cross Roads	Brethren S. P. Knight x . E. Adkins x T. D. Clayton x	3	1	--	--	--	1	--	29	4.00
High Point	Brethren R. T. Stone x, A. H. Idol x, J. T. Hicks, S. Dennis	3	1	1	1	--	1	--	74	9.00
Mount Vernon	Brethren H. G. Gourley x, Elder J. G. Southern	3	--	1	--	--	1	--	3	2.50
No Creek	Brethren John Nance, D. D. Bennett, S. P. Snider	4	4	--	1	--	1	--	42	5.25
Saints Delight	Brethren S. L. Spach, L. C. Elliott, J. E. Williard	2	1	2	--	--	3	--	57	8.00
Sardis	Not represented									
Winston-Salem	G. L. Ziglar, Joseph C. Smith, W. L. Teague, Ellis Tate	4	--	--	1	2	--	--	61	20..00
	x Absentees Totals		19	2	3	4	7	--	377	$68.75

MINUTES OF THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With the Church at

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SATURDAY, SUNDAY and MONDAY

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PROCEEDINGS

Saturday, October 10, 1925

1. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. A. Fagg from Mayo Association. Text, Romans 1:38.

2. After an intermission of one hour the messengers met in the church house where the association opened with praise and prayer by Elder Wiley C. Jones.

3. Letters from the churches composing this Association were called for, presented, read and contents noted in statistical table.

4. Then organized by, choosing Brother W. L. Teague, moderator, Brother J. H. McKaughan, clerk and Elder S. J. Reich, assistant clerk.

5. The moderator appointed Elders W. M. Monsees and H. S. Williams to go to the stand and preach to the people.

6. Called for petitionary letters, none presented.

7. A motion was put before the association to seat all corresponding brethren. An amendment to this motion to seat all brethren not affiliated with the Wilson disorder was adopted.

8. Correspondents and visitors from sister associations were invited to seats. The following were seated.

Abbott's Creek—Elder D. P. Broadway and Bro. L. A. Wright. Cor. Elders Samuel McMillon, H. S. Williams, Brethren C. B. Owens, R. F. Strange and Lee Snyder, visitors.

Fisher's River—Elder G. O. Key, Brethren W. A. Palmer and J. D. Key, Cod. Eld. J. S. Morrison, Bro. T. A. Jones and others visitors.

Lower Country Line—Bro. J. W. Terry, Cor. Bro. J. E. Monsees, vis tor.

Mountain—Elder S. P. Roberts and Bro. R. F. Edwards Cor. Brethren J. M. Rector, T. A. Fender, visitors.

Mayo—Elders J. A. Fagg, J. P. Via and Bro. J. W. Morefield, Cor. Elders S. R. Biggs, H. F. Hutchens, Brethren J D. Young and J. E. Hutchens, visitors.

New River—Elder P. G. Lester, Cor.

Smith River—Elder J. D. Cockram, visitor.

Upper Country Line—Elder J. W. Gilliam, Brethren J. W. Delancey, W. G. Dix, J. M. Denny, Cor. Bro. E. R. Harris, Elders W. C. Jones, O. J. Denny and W. M. Monsees, visitors.

White Oak—Elder Isaac Jones, visitor.

9. Corresponding minutes received from the following associations:

Abbott's Creek, Contentnea, Lower Country Line, Senter, Mountain, Mayo, Kehukee, Pigg River, Silver Creek, Tennessee and Nolachncky, Ketocton, Upper Country Line, White Oak, and Zion.

10. The moderator appointed the following committees:

Arrangement—Brethren C. L. Williard, H. Z. Williard, Elder S. J. Reich with moderator and clerk.

Preaching—Brethren Charlie Phillips, Westry Mabe and G. L. Ziglar.

Finance—Brethren O. M. Bennett, J. W. Turner, A. B. Crews and J. H. Nance.

Distribution of Corresponding Minutes—Brethren Charlie Hayworth, H. E. Gorley and Elder M. L. Williard.

11. On motion, adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Elder P. G. Lester.

Monday Morning, October 12, 1925

The association met according to previous arrangements, and opened with prayer by Elder A. G. Morton.

1. Called the roll of churches and marked messengers absent.

2. Read rules of decorum.

3. Called for the report of committee on arrangements. Their report follows:

We, your committee on arrangements do recommend, that:

We the Salem association, declare that the sovereignty of the church must be retained and any member or members excluded from the church stands excluded from all our churches, and that any church or member

or minister, who affiliates with the excluded member or members is in disorder.

W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator.
J. H. McKAUGHAN, Clerk.
ELDER S. J. REICH
C. L. WILLIARD,
H. Z. WILLIARD,
Committee.

4. The associated voted to adopt the resolution.

5. Correspondents appointed at our last association to visit sister associations were called on for reports. Reports were made by those who attended, and those who did not attend were excused.

6. Appointed correspondents as follows, to visit sister associations.

Abbott's Creek—Bro. C. L. Williard, Elder S. J. Reich.

Fisher's River—Bro. L. M. Hinson and minutes.

Lower Country Line—Elders T. J. Washburn, S. J. Reich and Bro. W. L. Teague.

Mountain—Minutes.

Mayo—Brethren Wallace Trent, Wesley Mabe and C. L. Williard.

Upper Country Line—Elder S. J. Reich, Brethren G. L. Ziglar, W. L. Teague and Wallace Trent.

White Oak—Minutes.

7. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at Sardis, Rockingham County, beginning on Wednesday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1926 continuing three days, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. It was also agreed that Sardis church appoint some one to preach the introductory sermon.

8. Committee on preaching reported from time to time and the brethren preached accordingly as shown under "Order of preaching."

9. Committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$81.65
Received from brethren and friends	18.16
Total	$99.81

Allowed for printing minutes and postage on same	$25.00
Allowed clerk for his service	10.00
Balance given to visiting ministers	64.81
Total	$99.81

10. Ordered that the clerk have 1,000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among our churches and the associations with whom we correspond.

11. The clerk was asked to have 200 association letter blanks printed and sent to the different clerks of our churches with the minutes. An equal number to each.

12. The following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved that we return thanks to God for His continued mercies and blessings and to the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality during this association.

These minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Closed with prayer by Elder M. L. Williard.

W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator.
J. H. McKaughan, Clerk,
ELD. S. J. REICH, Asst. Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Saturday, October 10, 1925

Praise and prayer by Elder G. O. Key. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. A. Fagg. Text, Romans 8:38. For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities, etc., shall be able to separate us from the love of God, etc.

Saturday Evening

Elder H. S. Williams, text, Romans, 8:2 For the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

Elder W. M. Monsees, failed to get text.

Saturday Night

Elders S. P. Roberts, failed to file text.

Elder Wiley C. Jones, text, 1 Cor. 1:30 But of him are ye in Christ Jesus who of God is made unto us wisdom and righteousness, etc.

Sunday Morning

Singing, then prayer by Elder P. W. Williard.

Elder Isaac Jones, text, It shall come to pass in that day that a great trimpet shall be blown, etc.

Elder P. G. Lester, text, Romans 8:10: If Christ be in you the body is dead, etc.

Elder O. J. Denny, text, Rev. 21:3 I heard a great voice out of heaven saying behold the tabernacle of God is with men.

Sunday Evening

Elder J. D. Cockram, text, Mathew 6:9, 10, After this manner pray ye thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Elder Samuel McMillon, text, Prov. 14:5: A faithful witness will not lie.

Elder G. O. Key, text, 1 Peter 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Sunday Night

Elder J. P. Via, text 2 Cor. 5:20 We pray ye in Christ's stead' be ye reconciled to God.

Elder D. P. Broadway, text Math. 27:64.

Monday

Elder S. P. Roberts, no special text.

Elder Lewis Pyrtle, text, Luke 5:32, I came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.

Elder J. W. Tuttle, text, Isaiah 53:10, Thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin.

Distribution of Minutes Among Our Churches and Sister Associations

Abbott's Creek, C. A. Hayworth, Kernersville, N. C. R 1 ___65
Bunker Hill, J. H. McKaughan, Kernersville, N. C. R. 1 ___40
Burlington, J. D. Smith, Burlington, N. C. _____35
Cross Roads—T. D. Clanton, Summerfield, N. C. _____35
High Point, R. T. Stone, High Point, N. C., R. 2 _____85
No. Creek, J. A. Forrest, Linwood, N. C., R. 2 _____45
Saints Delight, H. Z. Willard, Winston-Salem, R. 5 _____70
Sardis, T. L. Wilson, Madison, N. C. _____50
Winston-Salem, W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C. ____75
Mount Vernon, L. M. Hinson, Lexington, N. C. _____15

Total _____505

Association	Clerk	Postoffice	No. Minutes
Abbott's Creek	A. L. Owens	Salisbury, N. C., R. 2	20
Black Creek	Eld. E. L. Cobb	Wilson, N. C.	25
Contentnea	H. L. Brake	Rocky Mount, N. C.	25
Ebenezer	W. L. Carpenter	Brightwood, Va.	15
Fishers River	Elder F. P. Stone	Francisco, N. C.	20
Ketocton	Eld. C. V. Smith	Box 1267, Washington, D. C.	20
Kehukee	Eld. B. S. Cowan	Williamston, N. C. R. 2.	40
Lower Country Line	J. H. Gooch	Stem, N. C.	20
Little River	J. A. T. Jones	McCullers, N. C.	25
Mountain	J. M. Rector	Baywood, Va.	20
Mill Branch	M. Mears	Tarboro, N. C.	10
Mates Creek	H. S. Carter	Coleman, Kentucky.	25
Mayo	Dea. S. G. Dobyns	Claudville, Va.	30
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Pig River	Eld. E. L. Blankenship	Boone Mill, Va.	30
Smith's River	Eld. J. D. Cockram	Stuart, Va.	20
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Senter	J. F. Hartzog	Idlewild, N. C.	15
Silver Creek	T. H. Bentley	Stanley, N. C.	10
Upper Country Line	Eld. J. W. Gilliam	Altamahaw, N. C.	30
White Oak	Eld. Isaac Jones	Maple Hill, N. C.	30
Zion	H. F. Branscom	Fancy Gap, Va.	15
Tennessee & Nolachucky	Z. R. Williams	Cosby, Tenn. R 2	15

Total _____ 495

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Abbott's Creek	C. A. Hayworth x, Eld. M. L. Williard, E. J. Clinard, P. S. Smith	1	2	--	--	--	1	--	63	$12.65
Bunker Hill	C. L. Williard, A. B. Crews, Wesley Mabe	4	2	--	--	--	--	--	37	8.00
Burlington	A. J. Tilman x, J. W. Turner, J. I. Smith x	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	16	3.00
Cross Roads	J. J. Everett x, O. M. Bennett, T. D. Clyton x,	3	9	--	--	--	3	1	36	3.00
High Point	Brethren J. T. Hicks, R. T. Stone, W. C. Bransom	3	1	1	3	--	3	--	70	10.50
Mount Vernon	A. R. Gorley, L. M. Hinsor, Elder J. G. Southern x	3	1	1	--	--	--	--	5	3.00
No Creek	H. D. Foster, John Nance, Sherley Beck	4	5	2	--	--	3	1	43	6.00
Saints Delight	C. R. Atkins x, C. J. Phillips, H. Z. Williard and J. E. Williard	2	2	--	--	--	--	--	59	10.00
Sardis	T. B. Wilson x, P. B. Neal, J. A. Baily, Eld. P. J. Washburn	4	--	1	2	--	1	--	40	5.00
Winston-Salem	G. L. Ziglar, Ellis Tate, Elder S. J. Reich	4	2	1	--	--	--	--	64	20.00
	x Absentees Totals		24	6	5	--	11	2	423	$81.65

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE

SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with the Church at

SARDIS

Rockingham County, N. C.

SATURDAY, SUNDAY and MONDAY

October 9, 10 and 11, 1926

W. L. Teague, Moderator ----------Winston-Salem, N. C.

J. H. McKaughan, Clerk ----------Kernersville, N. C. R. 1

PROCEEDINGS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9TH, 1926

1. After praise and prayer by Elder W. C. Jones the introductory sermon was preached by Elder S. J. Reich. Text, Isaiah 35:8.

2. After an intermission of one hour the messengers met in the church house where the association was opened with praise, and prayer by Elder G. O. Key.

3. Letters from the churches composing this Association were called for, presented, read and contents noted in statistical table.

4. Then organized by choosing Brother W. L. Teague, Moderator, J. H. McKaughan, Clerk, Elder S. J. Reich, Assistant Clerk.

5. The Moderator appointed Elders S. H. Reid, J. S. Morrison to go to the stand and preach to the people.

6. Called for petitionary letters, none presented.

7. Correspondents and visitors from sister associations were invited to seats. The following were seated:

Abbotts Creek—Elder Samuel McMillon, C. B. Owen, R. F. Strange, Cor.

Fisher's River—Elder G. O. Key, Brethren J. D. Key Cor. Elder J. S. Morrison, visitor.

Lower Country Line—Bro. J. W. Terry, Cor.

Mountain—Minutes.

Mayo—Elder J. A. Fagg, Cor., J. S. Joyce, Elder S. R. Biggs Vis. Elder S. H Reid, Cor.

New River—Minutes.

Smith River—Minutes.

Upper Country Line—Elders J. W. Gilliam and W. C. Jones, Bro. J. M. Dennis, Cor. Elder O. J. Denny, Brethren G. W. Dix, T. W. Rice, J. R. Jones and Elder Ben Martin, visitors.

White Oak—Minutes.

8. Corresponding minutes received from the following associations:

Abbott's Creek, Contentnea, Lower Country Line, Senter Mountain, Mayo, Kehukee, Pig River, Silver Creek, Tennessee and Nolachucky, Ketocton, Upper Country Line, White Oak and Zion.

9. The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Arrangement—B. C. Hayworth, T. J. Greer, J. R. Smith with Moderator and Clerk.

Preaching—S. P. Knight, A. F. Neal, G. L. Ziglar.

Finance—Wallace Trent, Lee Smith.

Distribution of Corresponding Minutes—D. D. Bennett, J. L. Clodfelter.

10. On motion, adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Elder J. W. Gilliam.

MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 11, 1926

The Association met according to previous arrangements and opened with prayer by Elder T. I. Gilbert.

1. Called the roll of churches and marked messengers absent.

2. Did not read rules of decorum.

3. Called for the report of committee on arrangement. Their report follows:

4. Correspondents appointed at our last association to visit sister associations were called on for reports. Reports were made by those who attended and those who did not attend were excused.

5. Appointed correspondents as follows to visit sister associations:

Abbott's Creek—Elders S. J. Reich, C. A. Davis, Bro. G. L. Ziglar.

Black Creek—Minutes.

Fisher's River—Minutes.

Lower Country Line—Elder C. A. Davis, Bro. G. L. Ziglar.

Mountain—Minutes.

Mayo—Bro. G. L. Ziglar, J. H. Mabe.

Upper Country Line—Elder C. A. Davis, Bro. G. L. Ziglar, Elder S. J. Reich.

White Oak—Minutes.

6. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at Bunker Hill, Forsyth County, N. C., beginning on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1927 continuing three days, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

7. Committees on preaching reported from time to time and the brethren preached accordingly as shown under "order of preaching."

8. Committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$80.55
Received from brethren and friends	11.00
Total	$91.55
Allowed for printing minutes and postage on same	$25.00
Allowed clerk for his service	10.00
Allowed for association letter blanks	3.00
Balance given to visiting ministers	43.55
Total	$91.55

9. Ordered that the clerk have 1,000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among our churches and the associations with whom we correspond.

10. The following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, that we return thanks to God for His continued mercies and blessings and to the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality during this association.

These minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Closed with prayer by Elder W. A. Gourley.

W. L. TEAGUE, Mod.
J. H. McKAUGHAN, Clerk.
ELD. S. J. REICH, Asst. Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1926

After praise and prayer by Elder W. C. Jones, the introductory sermon was preached by Elder S. J. Reich Text Isaiah 35:8, "And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness."

SATURDAY EVENING

Elder S. H. Reid, text, Acts 4: "Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto

God judge ye."

Elder J. S. Morrison, text, Mark 10:27, With God all things are possible.

SUNDAY MORNING

Praise and prayer by Elder C. A. Davis.

Elder Samuel McMillon, text Sol. 8:8 "We have a little sister, and she hath no breasts."

Elder John Gilliam, text 10:27, "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me."

Elder O. J. Denny, text, 1 John 3:8 "He that committeth sin is of the devil, for the devil sinneth from the beginning."

SUNDAY EVENING

Eld. Ben Martin, text, John 14:2 "Let not your heart be troubled for in my Father's house are many mansions."

Elder H. S. Williams, text, Gen. 22:11 "And the angel of the Lord called to him out of heaven and said, Abraham, Abraham."

Elder J. A. Fagg, text, Psalms, "If I were an hungered I would not tell you, etc."

Elder G. O. Key, text, John 5:25, "And they that hear shall live."

MONDAY MORNING

Elder S. R. Biggs, text, 2 Tim. 2:15 "Study to show thyself approved unto God. A workman that needeth not to be ashamed, etc."

Elder W. C. Jones, text, 1 Peter 2:7: "Unto you therefore which believe he is precious, etc."

Distribution of Minutes Among Our Churches and Sister Associations

Abbott s Creek, J. R. Davis, Kernersville, N. C. R. 1 ------65
Bunker Hill, J. H. McKaughan, Kernersville, N. C., R. 1. ---40
Burlington, Elder W. C. Jones, Burlington, N. C. --------35
Cross Roads, T. D. Clayton, Summerfield, N. C. ----------35
High Point, S. H. Goodman, High Point, N. C., R 2 ------85
No. Creek, J. A. Forrest, Linwood, N. C., R. 2 ----------45
Saints Delight, H. Z. Willard, Winston-Salem, R. 5 ------70
Sardis, T. L., Wilson, Madison, N. C. ----------50
Winston-Salem, W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C. -----75
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Kehukee	Eld B. S. Cowan	Williamston, N. C., R. 2	40
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Bunker Hill	C. L. Willard x, J. H. Mabe, Wallace Trent	4	1	--	--	--	2	--	36	8.50
Burlington	Eld. W. C. Jones, J. W. Turner x	1	1	--	1	2	--	--	14	4.00
Cross Roads	C. W. Braxshaw x, S. P. Knight, Sandy Florence x	3	14	--	--	--	--	--	42	4.00
High Point	Sanders Dennis, T. J. Greer, T. S. Hedrick x	3	--	--	--	24	1	1	39	11.75
Mt. Vernon	A. S. Gourley x, L. M. Hinson	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	2.00
No. Creek	D. D. Bennett, Herly Beck, S. A. Baily x	4	2	--	--	1	1	--	44	8.05
Saints Delight	Lee Smith, S. L. Spach x, J. W. Willard x	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	58	7.00
Sardis	A .F. Neal, Eld. W. A. Gourley, W. H. Comer	4	--	--	--	1	1	--	37	6.00
Winston-Salem	Eld. S. J. Reich, G. L. Ziglar, J. C. Smith	4	2	--	--	--	--	--	66	20.00
	Absentees x Total		20	--	1	32	7	2	397	50.55

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MINUTES OF THE

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SALEM

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST

ASSOCIATION

Held With the Church at

BUNKER HILL

Forsyth County, N. C.

SATURDAY, SUNDAY and MONDAY

October 8, 9, and 10, 1927

W. L. Teague, Moderator ----------Winston-Salem, N. C.

J. H. McKaughan, Clerk ----------Kernersville, N. C., R. 1.

PROCEEDINGS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1927

1. After praise and prayer by Elder H. S. Williams the introductory sermon was preached by Elder Samuel McMillan, 2 Cor. 3:5.

2. After an intermission of one hour the messengers met in the church house where the association was opened with praise and prayer by Elder G. O. Key.

3. Letters from the churches composing this association were called for, presented, read and contents noted in statistical table.

4. Then organized by choosing Bro. W. L. Teague, Moderator, J. H. McKaughan, clerk, Elder S. J. Reich, assistant clerk.

5. The moderator appointed Elders D. P. Broadway, J. S. Morrison to go and preach to the people.

6. Called for petitionary letters, none presented.

7. Correspondents and visitors from sister associations were invited to seats. The following were seated:

Abbott's Creek—Brethren C. B. Owens, L. A. Wright, B. I. Harrison, Elders H. S. Williams, Samuel McMillan, correspondents. Brethren J. W. Bondurant and H. W. Johnson, visitors.

It was moved and unanimously carried that we reopen correspondence with Bear Creek association and seat their correspondents and visitors.

Bear Creek—Elder W. C. Edwards, Brethren E. W. Helm, C. D. Thomas and G. F. Thomas, visitors. Brother J. F. Burris, correspondent. Elder D. S. Jones, visitor.

Fisher's River—Elder G O. Key, correspondent. Elder J. S. Morrison, Brethren J. D. Key and Edgar Hunter, visitors.

Lower Country Line—Bro. J. W. Terry, correspondent.

A motion was made and unanimously carried to not seat the correspondents and visitors from Mountain Association on account of that association preaching some who had affiliated with the Wilson disorder.

Mayo—Elders J. A. Fagg, N. B. Gilbert, Brethren G. B. Campbell, G. C. Shelton, J. D. Young, correspondents. Elder D. G. Staples, Brethren Wesley Morefield, Tom Tilley, visitors.

New River—Elder P. G. Lester, correspondent.

Smith River—Minutes.

Upper Country Line—Brethren W. G. Dix, T. W. Rice, correspondents, Elder O. J. Denny, visitor.

White Oak—Elder Isaac Jones.

Pig River—G. R. Minters.

8. Corresponding minutes received from the following associations:

Abbott's Creek, Bear Creek, Contentnea, Lower Country Line, Senter, Mountain, Mayo, Kehukee, Pig River, Silver Creek, Tennessee and Nolachucky, Ketocton, Upper Country Line, White Oak, Smith's River, Staunton River, Fisher's River and Zion.

9. The moderator appointed the following committees:

Arrangement—Elder S. J. Reich, Bro. J. E. Williard, Bro. O. M. Bennett with moderator and clerk.

Preaching—Brethren Wesley Mabe, Charlie Phillips and T. S. Hedrick.

Finance—Brethren J. R. Davis, R. W. Tate with clerk and assistant clerk.

Distribution of Corresponding Minutes—Brethren Sam Goolsby and John Nance.

10. On motion, adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Elder P. G. Lester.

MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 10, 1927

The association met according to previous arrangements and opened with prayer by Elder C. B. Hall.

1. Called the roll of churches and marked messengers absent.

2. Read rules of decorum.

3. Called for the report of committee on arrangement. Their report read and adopted.

4. Correspondents appointed at our last association to visit sister associations were called on for reports. Reports were made by those who attended and those who did not attend were excused.

5. Appointed correspondents as follows to visit sister associations:

Abbott's Creek—Elders S. J. Reich, C. A. Davis, Bro. A. G. Gourley, Bro. J. M. Dennis.

Bear Creek—Elders S J. Reich, C. A. Davis, Brethren L. M. Hinson, A. G. Gourley, S. G. Beck, T. J. Greer, Elder A G. Morton.

Black Creek—Minutes.

Fisher's River—Elder C. A. Davis.

Lower Country Line—Elders S. J. Reich, C. A. Davis.

At this time a motion was made and seconded that Salem association do not send minutes to association that we have knowledge that they affiliate with disorder. The motion was carried.

Mayo—Elder A. G. Morton.

Upper Country Line—Bro. J. M. Dennis.

White Oak—Minutes.

6. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at No Creek, Davie County on No. 90 highway between Lexington and Mocksville beginning on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1928, continuing three days, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

7. Committees on preaching reported from time to time and the brethren preached accordingly as shown under order of preaching.

8. Committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$ 95.90
Received from brethren and friends	30.40
Total	$126.30
Allowed for printing minutes and postage on same	$ 25.00
Allowed clerk for his service	10.00
Other expenses	3.00
Balance given to visiting ministers	88.30
Total	$126.30

9. Ordered that the clerk have 1000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among our churches and the associations with whom we correspond.

10. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that we return thanks to God for His continued mercies and blessings and to the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality during this association and also to our Methodist friends for the use of their house.

11. These minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Closed with prayer by Elder W. C. Edwards.

W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator
J. H. McKAUGHAN, Clerk.
S. J. REICH, Asst. Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1927

After praise and prayer by Elder H. S. Williams the introductory sermon was preached by Elder Samuel McMillon. Text 2 Cor. 3:5: "Our Sufficiency is of God, etc."

SATURDAY EVENING

Elder J. S. Morrison, failed to get text.

Elder D. P. Broadway, failed to get text.

SUNDAY MORNING

Elder P. G. Lester—Text, Isaiah 53:1 "Who Hath Believed Our Report?"

Elder Isaac Jones—No special text.

Elder O. J. Denny—Text, Math. 1:23 "His Name Shall be Called Emmanuel being interpreted is God with us."

SUNDAY MORNING AT M. E. MEETING HOUSE

Elder H. S. Williams—Text, Ephesians 1:5 "Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, etc."

Elder J. W. Gilliam—Text, Isaiah 53:1 "Who hath believed our report?"

Elder J. A. Fagg—Text, Rev. 5:9 "Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof."

SUNDAY EVENING

Elder C. B. Hall—Text, Isaiah 53:1 "Who hath believed our report?"

Elder W. C. Edwards—Text, "The Lord hath commanded His covenant, etc."

Elder G. O. Key—Text, John 5:25 "'The dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God and they that hear shall live."

Elder Jesse Dunbar—Text, John 10:28 "I give unto them eternal life and they shall never perish."

MONDAY MORNING

Elder Noel Gilbert—Failed to get text.

Elder G. W. Hill—Text, Job. 42:2 "I know that thou canst do everything."

Elder J. W. Tuttle—Text, Heb. 8:1-2 "We have such an high priest, etc."

Elder Samuel McMillon—Failed to get text.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES AMONG OUR CHURCHES AND SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Abbott's Creek, J. R. Davis, Kernersville, N. C., R. 1	65
Bunker Hill, J. H. McKaughan, Kernersville, N. C., R. 1	40
Burlington, Elder W. C. Jones, Burlington, N. C.	35
Cross Roads, T. D. Clayton, Summerfield, N. C. R. 2	50
High Point, S. H. Goodman, High Point, N. C., Station B	85
No Creek, J. A. Forrest, Lexington, N. C., R. 5	45
Saints Delight, H. Z. Willard, Winston-Salem, R. 5	70
Sardis, T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C.	50
Winston-Salem, W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C.	75
Mount Vernon, L. M. Hinson, Lexington, N. C., R. Box 194	15
Total	530

Association	Clerk	Postoffice	No. Minutes
Abbott's Creek	A. L. Owens	Salisbury, N. C., R. 2	20
Black Creek	Eld. E. L. Cobb	Wilson, N. C.	25
Contentnea	H. L. Brake	Rocky Mount, N. C.	25
Fisher's River	Elder F. P. Stone	Francisco, N. C.	20
Ketocton	Eld. C. W. Miller	Box 1267, Washington, D. C.	20
Kehukee	Eld. B. S. Cowan	Williamston, N. C., R. 2	40
Lower Country Line	J H. Gooch	Stem, N. C.	20
Little River	J. A. T. Jones	McCullers, N. C.	25
Mill Branch	M. Meares	Tabor, N. C.	20
Mates Creek	H. S. Carter	Coleman, Kentucky	25
Mayo	Dea. S. G. Dobyns	Claudville, Va.	30
New River	Eld. J. M. Dickerson	Laurel Fork, Va.	25
Pig River	Eld. E. L. Blankenship	Boone Mill, Va.	30
Staunton River	R. L. Dodson	Danville, Va.	20
Senter	J. F. Hartzog	Idlewild, N. C.	15
Upper Country Line	Eld. J. W. Gilliam	Altamahaw, N. C.	30
White Oak	Eld. Isaac Jones	Maple Hill, N. C.	30
Bear Creek	J. W. Jones	Peachland, N. C.	30
Total			470

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Name of Messengers	Sun. of Meeting	Rec. by Ex. & Bap.	Dis. by letter	Rec. by letter	Excluded	Deceased	Restored	No. in Fellowship	Contribution
Abbott's Creek	B. J. Snyder, Noah Welch, J. R. Sardis	1	--	--	--	4	2	--	52	$10.00
Bunker Hill	J. G. Mathews, Wesley Mabe, Cornelius Nelson	4	2	--	2	--	3	--	33	10.00
Burlington	J. M. Dennis, J. W. Turner, J. I. Tillman x	1	--	1	--	--	2	--	13	7.00
Cross Roads	O. M. Bennett x, S. T. Knight, G M. Trent x	3	11	--	--	--	2	--	52	5.00
High Point	N. G. Pope, Herbert Miller x, T. S. Hedrick	3	3	--	--	--	1	1	36	13.15
Mt. Vernon	L. M. Hinson, A. G. Gourley, T. E. Mathews	3	--	2	--	--	--	--	5	4.00
No Creek	S. B. Beck, John Nance, S. T. Snyder	4	3	--	--	--	--	--	48	12.00
Sts. Delight	S. L. Spach, C. I. Phillips, J. E. Willard	2	7	--	--	3	3	--	59	975
Sardis	T. B. Wilson x, S. A. Goolsby, W. H Conner x	4	--	--	--	1	1	--	35	5.00
W.-Salem	S. J. Reich, J. C. Smith, R. W. Tate	1	--	2	--	3	1	--	64	20.00
	Total		26	5	2	11	15	1	397	$95.90

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MINUTES OF THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE

Salem Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

NO CREEK

Davie County, N. C.

SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND MONDAY

October 13, 14 and 15, 1928

W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator ---------- WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.

J. H. McKAUGHAN, Clerk ---------- KERNERSVILLE, N. C., R. 1.

Proceedings

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1928

1. After praise, and prayer by Elder W. C. Edwards, the introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. A. Fagg, Text: John 21:15-16.

2. After an intermission of one hour the messengers met in the church house where the association was opened with praise and prayer by Elder O. J. Denny.

3. Letters from the churches composing this association were called for, presented, read and contents noted in statistical table.

4. Then organized by choosing Bro. W. L. Teague, Moderator, J. H. McKaughan, Clerk, Elder S. J. Reich, Assistant Clerk.

5. The moderator appointed Elders T. A. Stanfield, S. H. Reid, M. L. Williard to go to the stand and preach to the people.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None presented.

7. Correspondents and visitors from sister associations were invited to seats. The following were seated:

Abbott's creek—Elders H. S. Williams, Samuel McMillon, D. P. Broadway, Brethren W. P. Williams, H. A. Williams, B. I. Harrison, W. M. Mabe, Cor.

Bear Creek—Elder W. C. Edwards, Cor., Brethren J. W. Jones, E. W. Helm, G. F. Thomas, W. N. Edwards, Vis.

Fisher's River—Bro. J. D. King, vis.

Lower Country Line—Minutes.

Mayo—Elder J. A. Fagg, S. H. Reid, Cor.

New River—Minutes.

Smith River—Minutes.

Upper Country Line—Elders O. J. Denny, T. A. Stanfield, Cor., Brethren J. H. Dye, John Delansey, Vis.

White Oak—Minutes.

Pig River—Bro. H. M. Lawrence, Cor.

Little River—Minutes.

8. Corresponding minutes received from the following associations:

Black Creek, Bear Creek, Contentnea, Kehukee, Mountain, Pig River, Upper Country Line, White Oak, Ebenezer, Lower Country Line, Mayo, Ketocton, Smith's River, Zion.

9. The moderator appointed the following committees:

Arrangement—Brethren Sam Spach, S. P. Snyder, Joe C. Smith, with Moderator and Clerk.

Preaching—Brethren S. B. Beck, Lee Smith, Wesley Mabe.

Finance—Brethren J. B. Apple, Clay Hayworth, with Moderator and Clerk.

Distribution of Corresponding Minutes. Brethren S. Hedrick, J. H. Broadway.

10. On motion adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Elder H. S. Williams.

MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 15, 1928

The association met according to previous arrangements and opened with prayer by Elder W. C. Edwards.

1. Called the roll of churches and marked messengers absent.
2. Did not read rules of decorum.
3. Called for the report of committee on arrangements. The report received and committee discharged.
4. Correspondents appointed at our last meeting to visit sister associations were called on for reports. Reports were made by those who attended and those who did no attend were excused.
5. Appointed correspondents as follows to visit sister associations:

Abbott's Creek—Elders S. J. Reich, C. A. Davis, Bro. T. J. Greer.

Bear Creek—Elders C. A. Davis, S. J. Reich, Bro. T. J. Greer, S. B. Beck, J. A. Forrest, D. D. Bennett, J. H. Broadway.

Black Creek—Minutes.

Fisher's River—Elder C. A. Davis, Bro. L. V. Smith.

Lower Country Line—Elder C. A. Davis.

Mayo—Bro. L. V. Smith.

Upper Country Line—Elder C. A. Davis.

White Oak—Elder S. J. Reich.

6. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at Winston-Salem, Forsyth County, N. C., beginning on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1929, continuing 3 days, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday..

7. Committee on preaching reported from time to time and the brethren preached accordingly as shown under order of preaching.

8. Committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$ 99.15
Received from friends	4.50
Total	$103.65
Allowed for printing minutes and postage on same	$ 25.00
Allowed clerk for his service	10.00
Remainder given to visiting ministers	68.65
Total	$103.65

9. Ordered that the clerk have 1000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among our churches and the associations with whom we correspond.

10. The following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved that we return thanks to God for His continued mercies and blessings and to the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality during this association.

11. These minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Closed with prayer by Elder M. L. Williard.

W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator,
J. H. McKAUGHAN, Clerk,
S. J. REICH, Asst. Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1928

After praise, and prayer by Elder W. C. Edwards, the introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. A. Fagg. Text: John: 21:15-16. "Jesus saith to Simon Peter lovest thou me more than these. Feed my lambs. Feed my sheep and etc."

SATURDAY EVENING

Elder T. A. Stanfield—Text, Esther 4:16. "I will go in unto the king and if I perish, I perish."

Elder S. H. Reid—Text Matt. 16:13. "Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?"

Elder M. L. Williard—Text, John 3:27. "A man can receive nothing except it be given him from heaven."

SUNDAY MORNING

Praise and prayer by Elder H. S. Williams.

Elder D. P. Broadway—Text, Luke 1:49-50. "For He that is mighty hath done to me great things, and etc."

Elder Samuel McMillon—Text, Joshua 24:15. "If it seems evil to you to serve the Lord, choose ye this day whom you will serve, and etc."

Elder O. J. Denny—Text, Psalms 46:4. "There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God."

SUNDAY EVENING

Elder W. C. Edwards—Text, Isaiah 62:2. "Thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name."

Elder George Hill—Text, John 6:38. "I came down from heaven not to do mine own will and etc."

Elder H. S. Williams—Text, Luke 2:11 "For unto you is born this day a Savior which is Christ the Lord."

MONDAY MORNING

Elder S. J. Reich—Text, Luke 18:25. "It is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God."

Elder C. A. Davis—Text, Acts 27:31. "Except these abide in the ship ye cannot be saved."

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES AMONG OUR CHURCHES AND SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Abbott's Creek, J. R. Davis, Kernersville, N. C., R. 1. ____65
Bunker Hill, J. H. McKaughan, Kernersville, N. C., R. 1 ____40
Burlington, Elder W. C. Jones, Burlington, N. C.____35
Cross Roads, T .D. Clayton, Summerfield, N. C. R. 2____50
High Point, S. H. Goodman, High Point, N. C., Station B ____85
No Creek, J. A. Forrest, Lexington, N. C., R .5 ____45
Saints Delight, H. Z. Willard, Winston-Salem, R. 5____70
Sardis, T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C. ____50
Winston Salem, W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C. ____75
Mount Vernon, L. M. Hinson, Lexington, N. C., R. Box 194___15

Total ____530

Association	Clerk	Postoffice	No. Minutes
Abbott's Creek	A. L. Owens	Salisbury, N. C., R. 2	30
Black Creek	Eld. E. L. Cobb	Wilson, N. C.	25
Contentnea	H. L. Brake	Rocky Mount, N. C.	25
Fisher's River	Elder F. P. Stone	Francisco, N. C.	25
Kehukee	Eld. B. S. Cowan	Williamston, N. C., R. 2	40
Lower Country Line	J. H. Gooch	Stem, N. C.	30
Little River	L. H. Stephenson	Willow Springs, N. C.	25
Mill Branch	M. Meares	Tabor, N. C.	20
Mates Creek	H. S. Carter	Coleman, Kentucky	25
Mayo	Dea. S. G. Dobyns	Claudville, Va.	30
New River	Eld. J. M. Dickerson	Laurel Fork, Va.	25
Pig River	Eld. E. L. Blankenship	Boone Mill, Va.	30
Staunton River	R. L. Dodson	Danville, Va.	25
Senter	J. F. Hartzog	Idlewild, N. C.	25
Upper Country Line	Eld. J. W. Gilliam	Altamahaw, N. C.	30
White Oak	Eld. Isaac Jones	Maple Hill, N. C.	30
Bear Creek	J. W. Jones	Peachland, N. C.	30

Total ____470

STATISTICAL

Churches	Name of Messengers	Sun. of Meet.	Rec. by Ex & B	Dis. by Letter	Rec. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Restored	No. in Fel.	Contribution
Abbott's Creek	B. J. Snyder, B. C. Hayworth, J. R. Davis	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	50	11.00
Bunker Hill	Wesley Mabe, A. B. Crews, T. S. Beeson	4	2	0	0	3	0	0	32	11.00
Burlington	J. M. Dennis x, J. W. Turner x	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	12	4.00
Cross Roads	D. F. Robertson, A. B. Barham, J. B. Apple	3	6	0	3	0	1	0	56	8.00
High Point	S. G. Snyder, T. J. Greer, Saunders Dennis x	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	37	15.60
Mt. Vernon	A. G. Gourley x, L. E. Mathews x, L. M. Hinson x,	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2.25
No Creek	S. B. Beck, J. H. Broadway, S. P. Synder	4	3	0	0	0	1	0	50	13.55
St. Delight	S. L. Spach, Lea Smith, N. L. Hines x	2	3	0	0	0	1	0	61	8.75
Sardis	J. R. Neal x, W. H. Comer, S. A. Goolsby x	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	34	5.00
Winston-Salem	Elder S. J. Reich, Joe C. Smith, R. W. Tate	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	63	20.00
	Total		17	0	3	4	7	0	400	99.15

MINUTES
OF THE
TWENTIETH
ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
Salem
Primitive Baptist
Association

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

WINSTON SALEM

Forsythe County, N. C.

SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND MONDAY

October 12, 13 and 14, 1929

W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator ---------- WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.
J. H. McKAUGHAN, Clerk ---------- KERNERSVILLE, N. C., R. 1.

Proceedings

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1929

1. After praise, and prayer, the introductory sermon was preached by Elder Samuel McMillon, Text Isaiah 31:4.

2. After an intermission of one hour the Messengers met in Peppers Warehouse where the Association was opened with praise and prayer by Elder F. P. Stone.

3. Letters from the churches composing this Association were called for, presented, read and contents noted in statistical table.

4. Then organized by choosing W. L. Teague, moderator, J. H. McKaughan, clerk, Elder S. J. Reich, assistant clerk.

5. The moderator appointed Elders J. A. Fagg and D. P. Broadway to preach Saturday evening.

6. Called for petitionay letters. None presented.

7. Correspondents and visitors from sister Associations were invited to seats. The following were seated:

Abbott's Creek—Elders Samuel McMillon, D. P. Broadway cor. Bro. Dennis Snyder visitor and Bro. B. I. Harrison, cor.

Bear Creek—Bro. J. C. Griffin cor.

Fisher's River—Elders G. O. Key, F. P. Stone, Cor. Bro. J. D. Key, vis.

Lower Country Line—Brethren J. W. Terry, J. E. Monsees, cor.

Mayo—Elders J. A. Fagg, D. G. Staples, cor.
New River—Minutes.
Smith River—Bro. H. E. Largen, vis.

Upper Country Line—Elders Ben Martin, W. M. Monsees, John R. Smith, cor.

White Oak—Elder Isaac Jones, cor.
Pig River—Minutes.
Little River—Minutes.
Elder S. J. Priddy from Indian Creek Association was with us as a visitor.

8. Corresponding minutes received from the following Associations:

Abbotts Creek, Fishers River, Ketocton, Mayo, Mill Branch, Smith's River, Lower Country Line, Staunton River, Bear Creek, Contentnea, Black Creek, Kehukee, Little River, Pig River, White Oak, Upper Country Line.

9. The moderator appointed the following committees:

Arrangements—Brethren Sam Spach, S. J. Reich, G. W. Hill with moderator and clerk.

Preaching—Brethren Joseph C. Smith, J. N. Nance, T. J. Greer.

Finance—Brethren Charlie Chields, L. H. Masten, Wesley Mabe.

Distribution of corresponding minutes—Brethren T. S. Beeson, Sam Goolsby.

10. On motion adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Elder **Ben Marten.**

MONDAY MORNING, OCT. 14, 1929.

The Association met according to previous arrangements and opened with prayer by Elder David Spangler.

1. Called the roll of churches and marked messengers absent.
2. Did not read rules of decorum.
3. Called for the report of committee on arrangement. The report received and committee discharged.
4. Correspondents appointed at our last meeting to visit sister associations were called on for reports. Reports were made by those who attended and those who did not attend were excused.
5. Appointed correspondents as follows to visit sister Associations:

Abbott's Creek—Elders S. J. Reich, G. W. Hill, M, L. Williard, Bro. T. J. Greer.

Bear Creek—Bro. T. J. Greer, Elder G. W. Hill.

Black Creek—Minutes.

Fisher's River—Elder G. W. Hill, Brother C. F. Shields, L. V. Smith, Ellis Tate.

Lower Country Line—Elder G. W. Hill.

Mayo—Brethren L. V. Smith, Elder G. W. Hill, C. L. Williard.

Upper Country Line—Elder G. W. Hill, Brethren J. M. Dennis, T. J. Greer.

White Oak—Elder S. J. Reich, Bro. Ellis Tate.

6. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at Saints Delight, Forsythe County, beginning on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1930, continuing 3 days, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.
7. Committee on preaching reported from time to time and the brethren preached accordingly as shown under order of preaching.
8. Committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$95.20
From Friends	57.60
Total	$152.80
Allowed for printing minutes and postage on same	$25.00
Allowed clerk for his service	10.00
Allowed for other expenses	38.65
Remainder given to visiting ministers	79.15
Total	$152.80

9. Ordered that the clerk have 1000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among our churches and the Associations with whom we correspond.

10. The following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved that we return thanks to God for his continued mercies and blessings and the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality during this Association and the Mr. Peppers for the use of their Warehouse to hold our Association in, and also the managers of Piedmont, Gorrell's, Browns, Planters, Glenn's and Liberty Warehouses for parking room.

11. These minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Closed with prayer by Elder G. O. Key.

W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator.
J. H. McKAUGHAN, Clerk
ELDER S. J. REICH, Assistant Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1929

After praise, and prayer by Elder Samuel McMillon, the Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder Samuel McMillon. Text, Isaiah, 31:4. "For thus hath the Lord spoken unto me."

SATURDAY EVENING.

Elder J. A. Fagg—Text, Luke 20:25, "Render unto Caesar the things which be Caesar's."

Elder D. P. Broadway—Text, Psalms, 127:1, "Except the Lord keep the city."

SATURDAY NIGHT.

Elder D. G. Staples—Text, Phil. 4:5, "Let your moderation be known unto all men."

Elder John R. Smith—Text, Heb. 11:6, "He that cometh to God must believe that he is."

SUNDAY MORNING

Praise and prayer by Elder S. J. Priddy from Indian Creek Association.

Elder M. B. Martin—Text, Marachi 3:6. "I am the Lord, I change not, therefor ye sons of Jacob are not consumed."

Elder Isaac Jones—Text, Titus 2:11. "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men."

Elder F. P. Stone—Text, Heb. 13:1. "Let brotherly love continue."

SUNDAY EVENING

Elder J. D. Cockram—Text, Math. 28:19, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations."

Elder S. J. Priddy—Text St. Luke 1:69, "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel."

Elder O. J. Denny—Text Rev. 14:7, "There were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand, and etc."

Elder Samuel McMillon—Text, John 4:24, "God is a Spirit and they that worship Him, must worship Him in spirit and in truth."

MONDAY MORNING

Elder David Spangler—Text, 1 Peter, 1:18, "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things as silver and gold."

Elder G. O. Key—Text, 2 Cor. 5:1, "For we know that if our house of this tabernacle were dissolved we have a building of God."

Elder S. J. Reich—Text, "God will again visit Zion."

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES AMONG OUR CHURCHES AND SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Abbott's Creek, J. R. Davis, Kernersville, N. C., R. 1. ---------65
Bunker Hill, J. H. McKaughan, Kernersville, N. C., R. 1. -----40
Burlington, Elder W. C. Jones, Burlington, N. C.----------35
Cross Roads, T. D. Clayton, Summerfield, N. C., R. 2. -------50
High Point, S. H. Goodman, High Point, N. C., Station B-----85
No Creek, J. A. Forrest, Lexington, N. C., R. 5----------45
Saints Delight, H. Z. Willard, Winston-Salem, R. 5 ----------70
Sardis, T. B. Wilson, Madison, N. C.----------50
Winston-Salem, W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C.---------75
Mount Vernon, L. M. Hinson, Lexington, N. C., R .Box 194---15

Total ----------530

Association	Clerk	Postoffice	No. Minutes
Abbott's Creek,	A. L. Owens,	Salisburn, N. C., R. 2	30
Black Creek,	Eld. E. L. Cobb,	Wilson, N. C.	25
Contentnea,	H. L. Brake,	Rocky Mount, N. C.	25
Fisher's River,	Elder F. P. Stone,	Francisco, N. C.	25
Kehukee,	Eld. B. S. Cowan,	Williamston, N. C., R. 2	40
Lower Country Line,	J. H. Gooch,	Stem, N. C.	30
Little River,	L. H. Stephenson,	Willow Springs, N. C.	25
Mill Branch,	M. Meares,	Tabor, N. C.	20
Mates Creek,	H. S. Carter,	Coleman, Kentucky	25
Mayo,	Dea. S. G. Dobyns,	Claudville, Va.	30
New River,	Eld. J. M. Dickerson,	Laurel Fork, Va.	25
Pig River,	Eld. E. L. Blakenship,	Boone Mill, Va.	30
Staunton River,	R. L. Dodson,	Danville, Va.	25
Senter,	J. F. Hartzog,	Idlewild, N. C.	25
Upper Country Line,	Eld. J. W. Gilliam,	Altamahaw, N. C.	30
White Oak,	Eld. Isaac Jones,	Maple Hill, N. C.	30
Bear Creek,	J. W. Jones,	Peachland, N. C.	30

Total ----------470

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAME OF MESSENGERS	Sun. of Meeting	Rec. by Ex. & Bap.	Dis. by Letter	Rec. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Restored	No. in Fel.	Contribution
Abbott's Creek	Elder M. L. Williard, B. C. Hayworth, J. R. Davis	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	49	$12.60
Bunker Hill	T. S. Beeson, Wesley Mabe, Shepard Nelson, x	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	33	11.00
Burlington	J. M. Dennis, J. W. Turner, x	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	11	6.00
Cross Roads	W. R. Doss, Elder G. W. Hill, C. L. Overly	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	68	10.00
High Point	Sanders Dennis,x T. J. Greer, N. G. Pope	3	0	1	0	1	3	0	32	12.20
Mt. Vernon	Represented by Contribution	--	0	2	--	1	0	0	2	1.00
No Creek	J. H. Broadway, x S. P. Snyder, Noah Nance	4	2	0	1	0	2	0	51	10.15
St. Delight	S. L. Spach, C. F. Shields, J. F. Stewart, x	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	63	7.25
Sardis	W. A. Comer,x S. A. Goolsby, S. G. Knight	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	34	5.00
Winston-Salem	S. J. Reich, L. H. Masten, J. C. Smith	1	1	1	0	2	1	0	60	20.00
	Total	--	6	4	3	5	9	0	403	$95.20

MINUTES

OF THE

Twenty-First Annual Session

OF THE

SALEM Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

The Church at Saints Delight

Forsyth County, North Carolina

SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND MONDAY

October 11, 12 and 13, 1930

OFFICERS

W. L. TEAGUE, ...*Moderator*
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

J. H. McKAUGHAN, ...Clerk
R. 1, Kernersville, North Carolina

PROCEEDINGS

Saturday, October 11, 1930

1. After praise and prayer, the introductory sermon was preached by Eld. J. A. Fagg.

2. After an intermission of one hour the messengers met in the church house where the association was opened with praise and prayer by Eld. W. C. Edwards.

3. Letters from the churches composing this association were called for, presented, read and contents noted in statistical table.

4. Then organized by choosing W. L. Teague, Moderator, J. H. McKaughan, Clerk and Eld. S. J. Reich, Assistant Clerk.

5. The moderator appointed Elds. Charlie Stone, D. P. Staple and J. C. Dunbar to preach Saturday evening.

6. Called for petitionary letters; none presented.

7. Correspondents and visitors from sister associations were invited to seats. The following were seated:

Abbotts Creek—Eld. S. H. Williams, Brethren B. I. Harrison, Lee Snyder, Ennice Sikes, A. F. Nance, correspondents; C. A. Cornelison, R. D. Snyder, visitors.

Bear Creek—Eld. W. C. Edwards, Bro. W. N. Edwards, cor.

Fishers River—Brethren W. L. Wood, J. D. Key, cor.; Eld. J. C. Dunbar, Bro. Robert Moseley, vis.

Lower Country Line—Sisters Murdock, M. B. Markham, E. A. Gold.

Mayo—Elds. J. A. Fagg, D. V. Spangler, D. G. Staples, cor.; Brethren B. J. Corn, E. R. Campbell, vis.

New River--Eld. R. P. Vass, vis.

Smith River--Minutes.

Upper Country Line--Elds. W. C. Jones. J. W. Gilliam, F. W. Keene, T. W. Rice, John R. Smith, cor.; Brethren G. W. Dix, J. H. Dye, E. R. Harris, vis.

White Oak--Bro. E. S. Buck, vis.

Pig River--Bro. H. N. Lawrence, vis.

Little River--Minutes.

Black Creek--Eld. H. F. Hutchens, vis.

8. Corresponding minutes received from the following associations:

Fishers River, Lower Country Line, Mayo, Smiths River, Staunton River, Bear Creek, Black Creek, Contentnea, Kehukee, Pig River, White Oak.

9. The moderator appointed the following committees:

Arrangements--Eld. S. J. Reich, Brethren J. E. Williard and A. B. Crews.

Preaching--Brethren J. R. Smith, Ellis Tate, T. J. Greer.

Finance--Brethren S. P. Knight, J. H. Mabe.

Distribution of corresponding minutes--Brethren D. D. Bennett, D. F. Robertson.

10. On motion adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Eld. J. W. Gilliam.

Monday Morning, October 13, 1930

The association met according to previous arrangements and opened with prayer by Eld. W. C. Jones.

1. Called the roll of churches and marked messengers absent.

2. Did not read Rules of Decorum.

3. Called for the report of committee on arrangements. The report received and committee discharged.

4. Correspondents appointed at the last meeting of our association to visit sister associations were called on for reports. Reports were made by those who attended, and those who did not attend were excused.

5. Appointed correspondents to visit sister associations as follows:

Abbotts Creek--Elds. S. J. Reich, G. W. Hill; Brethren J. M. Dennis, T. J. Greer, D. F. Robertson, L. V. Smith, L. M. Hinson, G. F. Forrest and others.

Bear Creek--Elds. G. W. Hill, S. J. Reich; Brethren T. J. Greer, L. M. Hinson, Eld. D. A. O'Brien.

Black Creek--Bro. D. F. Robertson; Elds. D. A. O'Brien, S. J. Reich.

Fishers River--At this time it was reported to the association that some of the Elders of Fishers River association had preached or affiliated with some of the Wilson disorder. After some discussion, it was suggested by some to suspend correspondence with Fishers River until this matter be adjusted.

There was a motion made and seconded to suspend correspondence at present with Fishers River association on account of some of the Elders of that association affiliating with disorder.

The motion was unanimously carried.

(Before the manuscript of these minutes was sent to be printed I was informed by the moderator and other brethren of Fishers River association that the two Elders of that association who went to the Mountain association preached or took a part in the services on Saturday, but when they heard it announced that Eld. R. H. Pittman would preach on Sunday they left the association to keep out of disorder. I think this explanation will be satisfactory to the churches of Salem association and this matter will soon be adjusted.--Clerk.)

Lower Country Line--Eld. D. A. O'Brien.

Mayo--Minutes.

Upper Country Line--Elds. D. A. O'Brien, G. W. Hill, S. J. Reich.

White Oak--Elds. G. W. Hill, D. A. O'Brien, S. J. Reich.

6. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at Cross Roads, in Guilford County, three miles east of Summerfield, beginning on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1931, continuing three days--Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

7. Committee on preaching reported from time to time and the brethren preached accordingly as shown under order of preaching.

8. Committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches		$90.10
From brethren and friends		12.00
Allowed for printing minutes and postage on same	$25.00	
Allowed clerk for his services	10.00	
Remainder given visiting ministers	67.10	
Total	$102.10	$102.10

9. Ordered that the clerk have 1000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among our churches and the associations with whom we correspond.

10. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved that we return thanks to God for his continued mercies and blessings, and the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality during this association.

11. These minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Closed with prayer by Eld. M. L. Williard.

W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator.
J. H. McKAUGHAN, Clerk.
ELDER S. J. REICH, Assistant Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1930

After praise and prayer by Eld. D. V. Spangler, the introductory sermon was preached by Eld. J. A. Fagg, text, Jer. 16:16, "Behold, I will send for many fishers, and they shall fish them, and many hunters, and they shall hunt them."

SATURDAY EVENING

Eld. Charlie Stone. Clerk failed to get text.

Eld. D. P. Staple. Clerk failed to get text.

Eld. J. C. Dunbar. No special text.

SUNDAY MORNING

Praise and prayer by Eld. D. P. Broadway.

Eld. W. C. Edwards, text, "He will give you beauty for ashes."

Eld. H. S. Williams, text, Gen. 22 : 3–13.
Eld. J. W. Gilliam, text, "They shall be my people."
Eld. O. J. Denny, no special text.

SUNDAY EVENING

Eld. D. P Broadway, text 2 Tim. 4 : 3, "Preach the word."
Eld. David Spangler, text, 1 Cor. 15 : 10, "By the grace of God I am what I am."
Eld. H. F. Hutchens, text, Jer. 18 : 6, "Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand," etc.
Eld. Adams, text, 1 Pet. 1 : 18, "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold."

MONDAY MORNING

Eld. F. W. Keene, text, Songs of Sol. 2 : 14, "O my dove that art in the cleft of the rocks."
Eld. W. C. Jones, no special text.
Closed with prayer by Eld. S. J. Reich.

Dirtribution of Minutes Among Our Churches and Sister Associations

Abbotts Creek	J. R. Davis	Kernersville, N. C., R. 1	65
Bunker Hill	J. H. McKaughan	Kernersville, N. C., R. 1	40
Burlington	Eld. W. C Jones	Burlington, N. C.	35
Cross Roads	T. D. Clayton	Summerfield, N. C., R. 2	50
High Point	S. H. Goodman	High Point, N. C., Station B	85
No Creek	J. A. Forrest	Lexington, N. C., R. 5	45
Saints Delight	H. Z. Willard	Winston-Salem, N. C., R. 5	70
Sardis	T. B. Wilson	Madison, N. C	50
Winston-Salem	W. L. Teague	Winston-Salem, N. C.	75
Mount Vernon	L. M. Hinson	Lexington, N. C.	15
Total			530

ASSOCIATION	CLERK	POST OFFICE	No. MINUTES
Abbotts Creek	T. R. Freeman	Steeds, N. C	30
Black Creek	Eld. E. L. Cobb	Wilson, N. C.	25
Contentnea	H. L. Brake	Rocky Mount, N. C.	25
Fishers River	Eld. F. P. Stone	Francisco, N. C.	25
Kehukee	Eld. B. S. Cowin	Williamston, N. C., R. 2	40
Lower Country Line	J. H. Gooch	Stem, N. C.	30
Little River	L. H. Stephenson	Willow Springs, N. C.	25
Mill Branch	M. Meares	Tabor, N. C	20
Mates Creek	H. S. Carter	Coleman, Kentucky	25
Mayo	Dea. S. G. Dobyns	Claudville, Va.	30
New River	Eld. J. M. Dickerson	Laurel Fork, Va.	25
Pig River	Eld. E.L. Blankenship	Boone Mill, Va.	30
Staunton River	R L Dodson	Danville, Va	25
Senter	J. F. Hartzog	Idlewild, N. C.	25
Upper Country Line	Eld. J. W. Gilliam	Altamahaw, N. C.	30
White Oak	Eld. Isaac Jones	Maple Hill, N. C	30
Bear Creek	J. W. Jones	Peachland, N. C.	30
Total			470

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Names of Messengers	Sun. of Meeting	Rec. by Ex.-Bap.	Dismis. by Letter	Rec. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Restored	No. in Fellowship	Contributions
Abbotts Creek	G. W. Yokeley, W. C. Hines, *M. M. Boulden	1	1	0	2	3	1	0	48	$ 7.00
Bunker Hill	J. H. Mabe, *Marvin Vance, A. B. Crews	4	6	2	2	0	0	0	39	13.00
Burlington	J. W. Turner, J. M. Dennis	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	10	6.00
Cross Roads	D. F. Robertson, S. P. Knight, * J. E. Adkins	3	4	0	2	0	0	0	70	10.00
High Point	*A. M. Payne, *Sanders Dennis, T. J. Greer, S. G. Snider.	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	30	10.00
Mt. Vernon	Represented by contribution								2	.50
No Creek	S. B. Beck, J. A. Forrest, *D. D. Bennett	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	51	8.35
Saints Delight	S. L. Spach, J. E. Williard, J. R. Smith	2	10	0	1	0	2	0	72	10.25
Sardis	*T. B. Wilson, *S. A. Goolsby, Sisters Ida Dalton, Ella Bennett	4	0	0	0	1	2	0	28	5.00
Winston-Salem	Eld. S. J. Reich, J. C. Smith, Ellis Tate	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	58	20.00
	Total	23		4	7	4	10	0	408	$90.10

MINUTES

OF THE

Twenty-Second Annual Session

OF THE

SALEM
Primitive Baptist Association

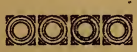
HELD WITH

The Church at Cross Roads

Guilford County, North Carolina

SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND MONDAY

October 10, 11 and 12, 1931



OFFICERS

W. L. TEAGUE,.....*Moderator*
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

J. H. McKAUGHAN, ... Clerk
R. 1, Kernersville, North Carolina

PROCEEDINGS

Saturday, October 10, 1931

1. After praise and prayer by Eld. J. A. Fagg the introductory sermon was preached by Eld. G. M. Trent, followed by J. W. Gilliam.

2. After an intermission of one hour, the messengers met in the church house where the Association was opened with praise and prayer by Eld. S. B. Denny.

3. Letters from the churches composing this Association were called for, presented, read and contents noted in statistical table.

4. Then organized by choosing Bro. W. L. Teague, Moderator, J. H. McKaughan, Clerk, Eld. S. J. Reich, Assistant Clerk.

5. The moderator appointed Elds. E. C. Oaks and W. C. Jones to go to the stand to preach Saturday evening.

6. Called for petitionary letters; none presented.

7. Correspondents and visitors from sister Associations were invited to seats. The following were seated:

Abbotts Creek—Brethren L. A. Wright, J. W. Bondurant, Elds. D. P. Broadway, H. S. Williams, correspondents, Brethren, J. S. James, C. B. Owens and others, vis.

Bear Creek—Minutes.

Black Creek—Eld. S. B. Denny.

Fishers River—Bro. J. D. Key, Eld. J. S. Morrison and J. H. Barnes, vis. The Association unanimously voted to seat Fishers River Association.

Lower Country Line—Eld. E. C. Oaks, Bro. F. D. Long and others vis., Bro. J. H. Gooch, cor.

Mayo—Elds. J. A. Fagg, Jerry Lewis, J. E. Hutchens, cor., Brethren L. J. Martin, J. W .Hutchens, J.M. Trent and others, vis.

New River--Minutes.

Pig River--Eld J. P .Helms, cor., Bro. H. M. Lawrence and J. E. Edwards, vis.

Smith River--Minutes.

Upper Country Line--Elds. J. W. Gilliam, Ben Martin, W. C. Jones, cor. W. G. Dix, T. W. Rice, Eld. John R. Smith, E. R., Harris and J. H. Dye, vis.

White Oak--Eld. R. W.Gurganes, cor. Brethren G. R. Shepherd, G. V. Lanier, T. O. Edwards, vis.

Little River--Minutes.

8. Corresponding minutes received from the following Associations:

Bear Creek, Black Creek, Contentnea, Fishers River, Kehukee, Lower Country Line, Little River, New River, Mayo, Pig River,

Staunton River, Smiths River, Upper Country Line, White Oak.

9. The moderator appointed the following committees:

Arrangements--S. P. Knight, Eld. O. J. Denny and D. D. Bennet with moderator and clerk.

Preaching--J. M. Denny, W. R. Doss and B. C. Clinard.

Finance--Zennie Rhue, J. E. Williard, Eld. S. J. Reich.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried to read the Query sent in by High Point church and refer it to the committee on arrangements.

10. On motion adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Eld. J. P. Helms.

Monday Morning, October 12, 1931

The Association met according to previous arrangement and opened with prayer by Eld. S. J. Reich.

1. Called the roll of churches and marked messengers absent.

2. Did not read Rules of Decorum.

3. Called for the report of committee on arrangements. The following report was read and received by a majority vote of 21 for, to 7 against. The committee was discharged.

Query from High Point church.

"Is it gospel order to continue the deaconship of a deacon and require his services in the church or churches, that has divorced a wife and married a second wife unless divorced for adultery?"

Query was referred to the committee on arrangements, which recommended the adoption of the following:

Resolved: That Salem Asssociation, in conference, acknowledges the sovereignty of all its churches; Therefore, we beg to say, in answer to the query from High Point church, that we advise all our churches to consider the admonition of the Apostle Paul with respect to the qualifications of deacons; and if a deacon or deacons become offenders, we advise that they be dealt with according to the law of the Lord, Jesus Christ, as will be found recorded in the 18th chapter of Matthew.

Signed by the committee:

This Oct. 10, 1931

W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator
J. H. McKAUGHAN, Clerk
O. J. DENNY
D. D. BENNETT
S. P. KNIGHT

4. Correspondents appointed at our last meeting to visit, sister associations, were called on for reports. Reports were made by those who attended, and those who did not attend were excused.

5. Appointed correspondents as follows to visit sister associations:

Abbotts Creek--Elds. S. J. Reich, G. W. Hill, O. J. Denny, L. T. Tucker, Brethren D. F. Robertson, T. J. Greer and Eld. D. A. O'Bryant.

Bear Creek--Elds. G. W. Hill, L. T. Tucker, D. A. O'Bryant, Brethren T. J. Greer and G. F. Forrest.

Black Creek--Eld. O. J. Denny, Brethren D. F. Robertson and W. L. Teague.

Fishers River--Elds. O.J.Denny, G.M. Trent and G. W. Hill.

Lower Country Line--Elds. O. J. Denny, D. G. Staples and Bro. B. C. Clinard.

Mayo--Eld. D. A. O'Bryant, Brethren Wesley Mabe, J. H. Mabe, W. A. Robertson, L. V. Smith and O. M. Bennet.

Upper Country Line--Elds. G. W. Hill, D. A. O'Bryant, O. J. Denny and Bro. J. M. Denny.

White Oak--Elds. G. W. Hill and S. J. Reich.

6. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at Abbotts Creek, in Davidson County, six miles west of High Point, beginning on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1932, continuing three days Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

7. Committee on preaching reported from time to time, and the brethren preached accordingly as shown under order of preaching.

8. Committee on finance reported as follows:

Received from the churches		$83.05
Received from brethren and friends		$16.70
Allowed for printing minutes and postage on same	$25.00	
Allowed clerk for his services	$10.00	
Remainder given visiting ministers	$64.75	
Total	$99.75	$99.75

9. Ordered that the clerk have 1000 copies of these minutes printed and distributed among our churches and associations with whom we correspond.

10. The following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, that we return thanks to God for his continued mercies and blessings and the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and hospitality, and also Brown's warehouse for water and ice, and Farmer's warehouse for tank. (Reedsville companies.)

11. These minutes were read and approved. Then adjourned to meet at the time and place appointed for our next annual session.

Closed with prayer by Eld. O. J. Denny.

W. L. TEAGUE, Moderator.
J. H. McKAUGHAN, Clerk.
S. J. REICH, Assistant Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1931

After praise and prayer by Elder J. A. Fagg, the introductory sermon was preached by Elder G. M. Trent, text, Isaiah 40:1, "Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God." Followed by Elder J.W. Gilliam, text, "I am the way, the truth, and the life."

SATURDAY EVENING

Elder E. C. Oaks. Clerk failed to get text. Eld. W. C. Jones, text, I Cor. 1 : 30-31. "He is made unto us wisdom. etc."

SATURDAY NIGHT

Elder R. W. Gurganus. Clerk failed to get text.
Elder J. S. Morrison, text, I Kings 18 : 21, "How long halt ye between two two opinions? If the Lord be God follow him."

SUNDAY EVENING IN HOUSE

Eld David Spangler, text, Jer. 33:11, "His mercy endureth forever"
Elder W. R. Hines, text, John 3 : 1. "What manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us . etc.
Elder Ben Martin, text, Psalms 8 ; 4. "What is man that thou art mindful of him. etc."

MONDAY MORNING

Eld. Geo. Denny, text, "Just speak the word and he shall be healed"
Eld. Ben Martin, text, "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven."
Elder G. W. Hill, text, "I came down from heaven not to do mine own will."

Distribution of Minutes to our Churches & Sister Associations

Abbotts Creek	J. R. Davis	Kernersville, N. C., R. 1	65
Bunker Hill	J. H. McKaughan	Kernersville, N. C., R. 1	40
Burlington	Eld. W. C. Jones	Burlington, N. C.	35
Cross Roads	T. D. Clayton	Summerfield, N. C., R. 2	50
High Point	T. J. Greer	High Point, N. C.	85
No Creek	J. A. Forrest	Lexington, N. C., R. 5	45
Saints Delight	H. Z. Willard	Winston-Salem, N. C., R. 5	70
Sardis	Addis Mitchell	Madison, N. C.	50
Winston-Salem	W. L. Teague	Winston-Salem, N. C.	75
Mount Vernon	L. M. Hinson	Lexington, N. C.	15
Total			530

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Abbotts Creek	T. R. Freeman	Steeds, N. C.	30
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Fishers River	Eld. F. P. Stone	Francisco, N. C	25
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Lower Country Line	J. H. Gooch	Stem, N. C.	30
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Staunton River	R. L. Dodson	Danville, Va.	25
Senter	J. F. Hartzog	Idlewild, N. C.	25
Upper Country Line	Eld. J. W. Gilliam	Altamahaw, N C.	30
White Oak	Eld. L. E. Bryan	Beulahville. N. C. R. 1	30
Bear Creek	J. W. Jones	Peachland, N. C.	30
Total			470

Twenty-Second Annual Session of SALEM ASSOCIATION

Held with the church at Cross Roads, Oct., 1931

ORDER OF PREACHING ON SUNDAY AT STAND

(Omitted through error from main part of minute.)

SUNDAY MORNING

Song and prayer by Eld. B. F. McKinney.

Elder J. A. Fagg, text, Acts 26 : 8, "Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you that God should raise the dead."

Eld. S.B.Denny, text, I Cor. 1:23, "But we preach Christ crucified unto the Jews a stumbling block, etc."

Elder J. P. Helms, text, "By the disobedience of one man sin entered into the world."

Elder D .P. Broadway, text, "The everlasting gates open wide and let the King of Glory in."

SUNDAY EVENING

Elder R. W. Gurganus, text, Isa. 40 : 10-11, "He shall feed his flock like a shepherd, etc."

Elder E. L. Cobb, text, I Cor. 15 : 51, "Behold I shew you a mystery, etc.

Elder B. F. McKinney, text, "But wisdom is justified of all her children."

Elder Lewis Pyrtle, text, Mark 1 : 2 "Behold I send my messenger before thy face, etc."

Praise and prayer by Elder G. M. Trent.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Names of Messengers	Sun. of Meeting	Rec. by Ex.-Bap	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dism. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. in Fellowship	Contributions
Abbotts Creek....	Eld. M. L. Williard, G. W. Yokeley, J. L. Clodfeltor	1	.	.	2	.	2	3	45	$ 9.05
Bunker Hill.....	Cornelius Nelson, T. S. Beeson, Zennie Rhue	4	5	4	.	.	.	.	48	10.00
Burlington	J. M. Dennis, *J. W. Turner, *G. T. Faucett.....	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	12	5.00
Cross Roads	J. M. Denny, S. P. Knight, O. M. Bennett	3	1	1	.	.	.	.	72	10.00
High Point	Eld. L. T. Tucker, T. J. Greer, A. N. Payne	3	1	2	.	.	.	2	31	8.00
Mt. Vernon	Not represented	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	....
No Creek	D. D. Bennett, J. A. Forrest, Noah Nance	4	1	.	.	1	.	1	50	8.00
Saints Delight	S. L. Spach, J. E. Williard, C. I. Phillips	2	1	.	.	.	.	1	72	8.00
Sardis	J. R. Neal, W. H. Comer, Sis. Addie Mitchell	4	.	.	.	.	.	4	24	5.00
Winston-Salem ..	Elds, O. J. Denny, S. J. Reich, B. C. Clinard	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	61	20.00
	Total.....		12	9	2	1	2	11	415	$83.05